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# A Record

of the doings of the Yearly Meeting of

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for

# New England

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth, the 9th of 6th month, 1798.

The Accounts from the several Quarterly meet belonging to this Meeting, being presented, the Representatives named therein are. for

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| Rhode Island | John Casey, David Buffum, Richard Mowry, Moſes Brown, Sarah Northup, Deborah Mowry and Hephzibah Buffum. |
| Salem | Paul Rogers, Henry Oliver, Daniel Gove, Deborah Rogers, and Mehitable Jenkins. |
| Sandwich | William Rotch, Jermiah Austin jun. Jethro Mitchell, Mercy Slocum, & Patience Austin. |
| Falmouth | Remington Hobby, Ebenezer Winslow, John Tabor, and Thankfull Huſsey. |

Who being called are all present, except William Rotch, Sarah Northup, and Mercy Slocum.

This Meeting received information from William Rotch, that bodily indisposition prevented his attending this Meeting at this time.

Our beloved Friend Elizabeth Coggeshall, having in a solid, weighty manner informed this Meeting of a concern, which for sometime has attended her mind to make a Religious visit to Europe, and produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island held at Newport the 27 of 3mo: 1798 – Expressive of their sympathy; and Unity with her as a Friend and Minister, and with her proposed visit; also a similar endorsement of Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich for Rhode Island the 12 & 13 of 4mo: 1798. – And this Meeting having duly & weightily considered the above particulars, and feeling a tender Sympathy and Unity with our Dear friend herein do appoint Caleb Greene of Bedford, William Brown, John Tabor, Abigail Robinson, and Sarah Barker, to prepare a Certificate suitable to the occasion and present to an adjournment of this Meeting. ——

This Meeting has been favoured with the Company of our beloved friends Mary Prior of Hartford in Old England, Elizabeth Foulk, of Philadelphia, William Jackson of New Garden in Pensylvania, Silas Downing of Westbury on Long Island, John Parish of Philadelphia, Daniel Haviland from the Oblong, and Tripp Mosier from the Nine partners, who all produced Certificates from the Meetings to which they respectively belong; whose company & services was acceptable to us.

Accounts from the several Select quarterly Meetings, were read in this, to good acceptance, from which the following information was selected, viz;

That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, has united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting, in approving of the Ministry of John Casey; and with Swansey Monthly Meeting in the Ministry of Jonathan Chase. ——

That Salem Quarterly Meeting has concured with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Rebecca Chase to the Station of an Elder. —

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with Nantucket Monthly Meeting for the Northern district, in the appointment of Lydia Mitchell to the Station of an Elder. —

Samson Sherman, John Tabor, Jethro Mitchell, Jeremiah Austin Junr. Moses Brown, Deborah Mowry, Mary Willbor & Ruth Sherman are appointed to the oversight of Meetings, to report from time to time as occasion may require till their service is accomplished. —

This Meeting is adjourned to the 12th Inst. at Newport, the 7th Hour in the morning. —

12th Day, met by adjournment.

Representatives all present who were at our last ſitting and William Rotch attended at this time.

Marcy Slocum, and Sarah Northup, by written communications aſsigned satisfactory reasons for their non-attendance of this Meeting.

The Representatives proposed Clarke Rodman for Clerk to this Meeting, which proposition being accepted he is reappointed to that ſervice for the year ensuing.

The Committee for that purpose presented a Certificate for our Friend Elizabeth Coggeshall, which being read, and some alterations made, was approved, and ſigned by the Clerk, and is as follows, viz.

From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island for New England by adjournments from the 9th to the 14th of 6mo: inclusive 1798.

To Friends in England, and elsewhere in Europe. ——

Dear Friends —— Our beloved Friend Elizabeth Coggeshall, in a weighty manner laid before us a Concern, that hath for some time impreſsed her mind to pay a visit in Gospel Love, to Friends in England and parts adjacent; which claimed the solid attention of this Meeting, and a renewed ſense of the humbling power of Truth uniting our minds in the propriety [illegible] perfected; [illegible]

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[illegible] others. —

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting

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13 [illegible] approved. —

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exemplary in number [illegible]
-tions; none give way [illegible].

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some care is taken.

[illegible] and [illegible]
and conversation among them, and for the exercise [illegible]
-nious labour, and the preservation of unity, and [illegible]

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-ent given & care to remedy these defects.

In a good degree carefull to Rule our [illegible]
and to bring up our Families in plain[illegible]

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The Meeting is adjourned to the [illegible] hour tomorrow morning. —— 1st day met by adjournment.

Representatives all present who have heretofore attended except Benjamin Durham, whose absence [illegible] is occasioned by bodily indisposition.

[illegible] the accounts in keeping, assist the Clerk [illegible]

[illegible] Christian Instruction [illegible]

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[illegible] to endeavour to use such means as may be necessary for their help, do appoint Moses Brown,

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since, having extended our care [illegible]

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

Samson [illegible]

[illegible] Robert [illegible]

[illegible] ings of our Meeting, to conduct the weighty concerns which have come before us, in a good degree [illegible] clude, intending to meet next [illegible] if permitted. Signed [illegible]

Clerk [illegible]

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth the 15th of 6 month 799.

The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being presented the Representatives named therein are,

For Rhode Island { George Comstock, Moses Brown, Samuel Thurston, John Casey, Abigail Robinson, Hephzibah Harris, and Deborah Greene.

Salem — Paul Rogers, Samuel Collins & Deborah Rogers.

Sandwich { William Rotch, Joseph Tucker, John Bailey, Patience Austin Rhoda Tucker, & Anna Gardner.

Falmouth { John Tabor, John Winslow, Moses Sleeper, Hanna Sleeper & Anna Hacker.

Who being called are all present except George Comstock.

The Committee appointed last year to take into consideration the complaint from Falmouth Quarter respecting the want of Unity among them, reported as follows, viz.

— Newport Rhode Island 17th of 6 mo: 799

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders to be held at this place next Year.

Dear Friends —— Agreeable to appointment, we have taken an opportunity with some Friends, Members of the Select Sitting from Falmouth Quarter, on account of the information given of the want of Unity, and have to inform that after some time of said sitting and engaged labour, we were encouraged to believe there will be an amendment in the matter complained of, which information we with satisfaction in behalf of the Committee communicate to the Select Yearly Meeting.

John Casey, Moses Brown, Isaac Lawton.

Accounts from the several Meetings hereto belonging, were read in this Meeting, from which the following information was Selected viz.

That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Samuel Thurston, Richard Mitchell, & Elizabeth Thurston to the Station of Elders.

With South Kingston Monthly Meeting in the appointment of William Peckham & Joseph Collins as Elders.

With Uxbridge Monthly Meeting, in approving of the Ministry of Royal Southwick, and Thomas Holder, and the appointment of Josiah Shove to the Station of an Elder.

That Salem Quarterly Meeting has United with Dover Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ezekiel Hoit to the Station of an Elder. — with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elizabeth Purington, and with Say-brook Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elizabeth Purington the Second, to the Station of Elders.

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with New Bedford Monthly Meeting in approving of the Ministry of Lydia Rotch, and the appointment of Obadiah Davis to the Station of an Elder.

That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting has united with Vassalborough Monthly Meeting in approving of the Ministry of Deborah Butler, and in the appointment of Isaac Lincoln, George Ramsdel, & Eunice Ramsdel, to the Station of Elders. ——

The Queries, with Answers from the respective Meetings belonging to this, were Read, at this time; a sumary of which follows, viz. ——

A good degree of care is generally maintained for the due attendance of Meetings for worship and Discipline, and to bring with them as many of their Families as they can, and endeavour to be exemplary in humble waiting, and not give way to drowsiness, but not without exceptions. ——

Ministers are in a good degree carefull in the exercise of their gifts, and soundness in word and Doctrine preserved, except in one Instance, wherein care is taken.

In a good degree carefull with respect to Life and conversation, and the preservation of Unity individually and in the Church, some deficiency relative to harmonious labour in some places; generally carefull to avoid giving just occasion of offence. ——

Endeavours are generally used to Rule their Houses well and bring up their Families in plainness and moderation, tho' their Labours have not had their desired effect at all times, in which care appears to be taken by some. generally exemplary themselves herein tho' not without exception. —

Endeavours are generally used for the promotion of peace in Families and in the Church, and a care prevails to avoid raising and spreading evil reports, or to be improperly busy, tho' there are some exceptions herein. —

Generally carefull to maintain the Discipline and administer Justice impartially, and none appear dispos

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to hide their Families from Truths Judgment, tho' there is an apparent slackness with some. —

No deviations appear, with respect to the several particulars contained in the Seventh Query. —

William Rotch Junr., Samuel Thurston, Sylvester Wykes, John Tabor, Jethro Mitchell, Samuel Collins, Deborah Davis, Sarah Willbor, & Anna Tucker, are appointed to the oversight of Meetings, to report from time to time as may appear necessary, until the accomplishment of their service.

It is concluded that, in future the Certificates of such Friends who attend this Meeting from distant or adjacent Yearly Meetings, be presented to, and read in the first sitting thereof. —

This Meeting is adjourned to the 10th instant at the Seventh hour in the morning at Newport. —

10th Day; met by adjournment. —

Representatives all present, who attended our last sitting

The Representatives proposed the reappointment of Clarke Rodman, Clerk to this Meeting, for the ensuing year, which being acceded to, he is appointed to that service accordingly. —

George Comstock assigned a satisfactory reason by a written communication, for his non attendance of this Meeting. —

Our beloved Friends whose names are hereto annexed, were acceptably with us at this Meeting. viz Gervis Johnson from Ireland, Chalkley Albertson & his Companion Zachariah Nixon from North Carolina, Joseph Whitall from New Jersey, Jonathan Evans from Philadelphia, Garret Burtis & his Companion John Christi from the Nine partners, Richard Mott from the Purchase Monthly Meeting, and his Companion Abraham Underhill, from Amawalk Mo. Meeting. Rebecca Jones, Jane Snowdon, and Sarah Cresson, from Philadelphia, and Ruth Anna Rutter from Exeter in Pensylvania.

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported as follows, viz.

According to our appointment we have endeavoured to attend thereto, and inform that the Public Meetings tho' large were generally quiet, except the afternoon Meeting at Newport, which was somewhat disturbed by some disorderly People; and that the Public appearances in each Meeting were generally to comfort & edification, and in none of the meetings have we observed anything in the Conduct of our members that require any remark.

6th mo: 8th 1799

in behalf of the Committee

John Tabor.
Deborah Davis.

Having been favoured to accomplish the business which has come before us in Love and harmony, with gratefull acknowledgments for which, and the Committ

Favours, experienced at this Season, we conclude, intending, if Divine permission, to meet again at this place next Year. ——————

(signed on behalf of the Meeting)

Clarke Rodman Clk

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1800. At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth the 14 of 6 mo: 1800. ——————

The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings belonging to this Meeting being presented, the Representatives named therein are, viz, ———

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| For Rhode Island. | John Casey, Moses Brown, John Fry, Sylvester Wicks, Abigail Robinson, Anna Greene, and Dorcas Weaver. ——— |
| Salem | Samuel Collins, Ezekiel Hoit, Paul Rogers, and Elizabeth Purington the Second. — |
| Sandwich | John Baily, Joseph Wing, Jeremiah Austin junr. Patience Austin, and Deborah Davis. ——— |
| Falmouth, | Ebenezer Winslow, Joseph Douglas, and Anna Hacker. ——— |

Who being called are all present. ———

Our beloved Friends whose names are hereto anexed were acceptably with us. viz — Nathan Hunt, from North Carolina, Hugh Judge, from New york, William Mitchell, and Ruth Hallik from the Nine Partners. —

Accounts from the respective Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging, were read, from which the following information was ſelected viz. —

That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting, has concured with Falmouth Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Jedediah Cobb, Nicholas Cobb, Noah Read, Desire Cobb, and Sarah Hacker to the Station of Elders. —

The Queries with Answers from the ſeveral Meetings hereto belonging, were read, respecting which diverse weighty and pertinent remarks were made tending to excite to a more fervent engagement and care than is apparent by some of said Answers, which we are desirous may be so attended to as to produce the wished for effects. —

And Caleb Greene and Clarke Rodman are appointed to prepare a Sumary of the Answers above alluded to and present to the adjournment of this Meeting. —

Moses Brown, Sylvester Wyks, John Tabor, Joseph King, Anna Greene, Deborah Davis, Anna Hacker, and Ruth Sherman, are appointed to the oversight of Meetings, to report occasionally as their ſervice may require. —

This Meeting is adjourned to the 16 Inst. 7th Hour in the morning at Newport. ——

16 day met by adjournment. Representatives all present. ——

The Representatives proposed Clarke Rodman Clerk to this Meeting for the Ensuing year, which being approved, he is appointed to that service accordingly.—

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported at this time, which is accepted and is as follows viz. ——

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings having attended to their appointment, report that the morning Meeting on first day appeared rather long in gathering, probably to the Hour's not being recollected both at Newport and Portsmouth, yet they were pretty quiet and satisfactory; in the afternoon not so quiet at Newport being more crouded, and both there and at Portsmouth the forepart appeared rather dull, but more lively in the latter part; the Ministry generally satisfactory: We have no remark to make of this Meeting on Seventh day.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee by

2d day morning. —— Moses Brown.
Anna Hacker.

This Meeting adjourns to the 18th Inst. the 7th hour in the Morning. ——

18th day, met by adjournment, Representatives all present.

The Committee for that purpose presented a Sumary of the Answers to the Queries, which being read and accepted, is as follows, viz.

A good degree of care appears with respect to the attendance of Meetings, bringing of families and being exemplary in humble waiting, and to avoid drowsiness, tho' not without exceptions in which some care is taken.

Ministers generally sound in word and Doctrine, and carefull to minister in the right ability, where the contrary has appeared, some labour has been bestowed.

Ministers and Elders endeavour to support blameless lives and conversation among men, and carefull for the preservation of Unity, and to harmonize in Labour, tho' not without exceptions in diverse of these respects, in which some care is extended.

Endeavours appear to be used for Ruling our houses, and bringing up our families in plainness & moderation and to be exemplary, tho' a falling short is apparent herein.

Generally in a good degree carefull in the promotion of Peace, in families and the Church, and to avoid being improperly busy, tho' there appears a falling short with some.

Generally tho' not altogether a care for the maintenance of the Discipline, and the impartial administration of

Justice; none appear disposed to hide their families, from Truths Judgment, ——

No deviations appear with respect to the 7th Query. —

Having accomplished the business which came before us, and altho' sorrowfully affected with the deficiencies amongst us, yet are comforted in believing that the Arm of sufficiency is still near for our help, and that by the Assistance thereof, we have been enabled to conduct the weighty concerns of the Church which have fallen to our lot, in Love & Harmony under a thankfull sense whereof we conclude, intending by Divine permission to meet again at this place next year. ——

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Clarke Rodman Clk

1801 At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England, began at Portsmouth the 13 of 6 mo: 1801. —— The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being presented the Representatives therein named are, viz. —

For Rhode Island { John Casey, Moses Brown, Samuel Thurston, Deborah Greene and Phebe Brown. ——

Salem { Ezekiel Hoit, Samuel Collins, Paul Rogers, Mehitable Jenkins, & Deborah Rogers.

Sandwich { Joseph Tucker, John Baily, Jeremiah Austin, Lydia Brown, & Elizabeth Rotch,

Falmouth { John Tabor, Joseph Douglas, & Thankful Hussey. ——

Who being called are all present. ——

Our beloved Friends whose names are hereto annexed are acceptably with us viz. ——

John Hall, from Pardshaw in South Brittain Old England, Stephen Grellet, from New York, Joseph Hoeg from Danby, in the State of Vermont, Ann Mifflin and Mary Gilbert, from Philadelphia. ——

Also our endeared Friend Elizabeth Coggeshall attended at this time, having accomplished a Religious visit to Europe, to the Satisfaction & Edification of Friends where her Lot has been cast, as appears by the Certificates hereto annexed, which she presented to to this Meeting, with that which she received from us in the 6 month 1798: all of which with her ſafe return and preservation through ſingular trials has been cause of thankfulneſs to us and to our peculiar Comfort and consolation. ——viz.

From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders for the nation of Ireland. ——

To Friends of the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, Quarterly Meeting of the ſame, & Yearly Meeting of New England. —

Dear Friends.

We received your Certificates on behalf of our dear Friend and Sister Elizabeth Coggeshall, who has ſojourned among us for ſome time, and has informed us that it is likely she may ſoon be released from further labour here, we may inform you she visited nearly all the Meetings of our Society in this Land, and had ſeveral among those not profeſsing with us in conjunction with her Companion, and was engaged in much ſimplicity to hold up the Christian ſtandard not only in Ministry, but in conduct & conversation, and we believe she had the secret ſympathy and near Unity of the honest Hearted & Exercised travailer, with earnest desires if consistent with the divine will that ſhe may be enabled to accomplish her further prospects without unprofitable discouragement, and return to her friends and native Land, with sheaves of Peace. ——

We remain your Friends, Brethren and Sisters, (Read approved and signed in & on behalf of our aforesaid Meeting) held in Dublin by adjournments from the 26 of 4 mo: to the 2 of 5 mo: 1800. —

Joseph Strangman Clk

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, of New England, the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island, and to Rhode Island monthly Meeting. —

Dear Friends. — Our beloved friend Elizabeth Coggeshall, for whom your Certificates were duly before our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders in 1799. has given us an Account, that she feels a peacefull close of her religious Labours in this country and is about shortly to set out for home: — She has visited nearly all the Meetings of Friends in our Yearly Meeting in which visit she has been an example of diligence, and her Conduct has been seasoned with Humility; and in the singular trials she has passed thro' she has engaged much of the near sympathy of Friends in diverse parts. — We affectionately desire that they may be sanctified to her increasing growth in Christian experience, & Divine wisdom and if consistent with the will of the Heavenly Shepherd that She may safely and peacefully return to her Family and Friends. ——

Signed in, and on behalf of the morning Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjournment the 13 of 3 mo: 1801. ——

Elizath. Bevington.
Ann Chorley.
Mary Lloyd.
Mary Stacy.
Sarah Hird.
Frances Phillips.
Alice Chorley.
Mary Savory.
Susannah Horn.
Abigail Pim.
Sarah Barber.

Owen Weston.
Wm. Alexander.
Thos: Pole.
Simon Bailey.
John Kinsey.
Richd. Phillips.
Martha Routh.
Susannah Row.
Sarah Row.
Mary Smith.
Margt. Allen.

Wm. Tomlinson.
John Elliot.
J. G. Bevan.
Geo: Stacy.
John Chorley.
Thos: Shillitoe.
Josiah Messer.
John Sanderson.
Wm. Crotch.
James Wright.
John Horn.

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Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings belonging hereto were read to satisfaction, from which the following information was selected, viz.

That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in approving of the Ministry of Lydia Wicks; with Swansey Mo. Meeting, approving of the Ministry of Benjamin Buffington, and with Providence Monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Phebe Brown, in the Station of an Elder. ——

That Salem Quarterly Meeting, has united with Ware monthly Meeting in approving of the Ministry of Samuel Brackenbury, and their concurrence with Salem monthly

Meeting in disapproving of the Ministry of Alice Needham; and with Dover Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Sarah Cartland to the Station of an Elder. ——

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with Pembroke Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Lydia Brown, and with Nantucket monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Elisha Bunker to the Station of Elders. ——

William Rotch jun.r, Deborah Greene, Sylvester Wicks, Samuel Collins, Mary Alling, Jeremiah Austin, John Easton, and Ruth Sherman, are appointed to the oversight of this and the ensuing yearly Meeting, to report to the succeeding sittings of this Meeting as occasion may require, or when their service is accomplished. ——

Adjourned to the 15th Inst., at Newport the 7th hour in the Morning. —— 15th day, met by adjournment.

Representatives all present. —

The Representatives proposed Clarke Rodman Clk. to this Meeting for the ensuing year, which being approved, he is appointed accordingly. —— —

The Queries, with Answers from the respective Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging, were read in this meeting, in which divers deficiencies were noticed, which were afflictingly exercising to this Meeting, respecting which pertinent & weighty remarks were made, exciting to diligence and care with regard to an amendment, —— ——

Adjourned to the 8th hour to morrow morning.

16th day met by adjournment, — Representat.s all present.

A Summary of the Answers to the Queries was presented Read and accepted by this Meeting & are as follows, viz

A good degree of care is generally maintained for the due attendance of all our Meetings, and getting out of Families, tho' not without exception in either part, endeavours are generally used to be exemplary in humble waiting, and to avoid drowsiness. —

Ministers in a good degree sound in word and Doctrine, and carefull to minister in the right ability, tho' an exception is noted in one Meeting. —

A concern appears amongst us in the general to have our lives and conversation clean and blameless among Men, yet there is an apparent want of Unity and Harmonizing together for Truths honour, in some Meetings, and not all carefull enough to guard against giving occasion of offence, also some neglect with respect to care herein. —

With respect to the right government of Families, a general endeavour prevails, as also to be exemplary herein, tho' not without exceptions, which renders the Labours of some in these respects unsuccessfull.

Generally carefull in those respects, excepting in one meeting, in which a deficiency is noted.

There appears a general concern to maintain the Discipline, tho' some complaint of the want of a right Exercise herein none appear disposed to hide their Families from Truths judgment. —

Ministers appear to observe a due attention, with respect to visits out of the limits of the Quarterly Meetings to which they respectively belong, and their conduct therein. ——

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported as follows, viz. —

To the Select Yearly Meeting. ——

Your Committee for the oversight of Meetings report, that the Meetings at Portsmouth on first day were large quiet and favoured, that at Newport was rather disorderly in the afternoon gathering, owing in part to the time not being fully known, by all, both forenoon & afternoon was as quiet when gathered as could be expected, when the various states that composed the gathering was considered. — The Public appearances as far as we were favoured with ability to judge, was savory & edifying & we we have nothing special to remark in respect to the conduct of any of our Members. Signed on behalf of the Committee. ——

Sylvester Wickes
Ruth Sherman. —

Adjourned to the 8th Hour to morrow morning. ——

17th day met by adjournment. Representatives all present.

Received information that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, has united with Rhode Island monthly meeting in approving of the Ministry of Ruth Sherman Junr. and that Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with Salem monthly Meeting, in approving of the Ministry of Micajah Collins; and the appointment of Mathew Purrington, to the Station of an Elder. ——

Under an humbling consideration of the renewed extention of ancient goodness, at this Season cementing many of our minds in Gospel Fellowship, by which we have been favoured to transact and accomplish the weighty concerns assigned us to our mutual satisfaction and we trust Edification, conclude intending by Divine permission to meet again as usual next year —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Clarke Rodman Clk.

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1802 At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England, begun at Portsmouth the 12th of 6th Month, 1802. — The accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging (excepting Sandwich) being presented, the Representatives therein named are, viz.

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| For Rhode Island | John Casey, John Langford, David Buffum, Peter Hoxie, Susannah Almy, Deborah Greene, Sarah Hoxie, & Eunice Brayton. |
| Salem | Richard Dame, Micajah Collins, Paul Rogers, Elizath Varney & Deborah Rogers. — |
| Falmouth | Jacob Taber Junr. John Winslow, and Isaiah Hacker. — |
| Smithfield | Jonathan Mowry, Richard Mowry, Josiah Chase, Lydia Smith, & Deborah Mowry. — |

Who being called are all present. —

Our beloved Friend Joseph Hoag is again acceptably with us.

Accounts from Rhode Island, Salem, Falmouth, were read in this Meeting, from which the following information was selected, viz — That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Rhode Island monthly Meeting in the appointment of Benjamin Freeborn, & Susannah Almy, and with Swansey monthly Meeting in the appointment of Daniel & Eunice Brayton to the Station of Elders.

That Salem Quarterly Meeting had United with Ware Monthly Meeting in the appointment of David Gove to the Station of an Elder.

Samuel Collins, Jethro Mitchell, Moses Brown, Deborah Davis, John Fry, Susannah Almy, and Mary Slocum, are appointed to the oversight of this and the ensuing Yearly Meeting, to report occasionally, or when their Service is accomplished.

Adjourned to next Second day the 14th Inst. at half past the 7th hour in the morning.

14th day met by adjournment.

Representatives all present, who heretofore attended, excepting Eunice Brayton, who by a written communication assigned a satisfactory reason for her non attendance.

Clarke Rodman is appointed Clerk of this Meeting, for the ensuing Year.

An account from Sandwich Quarter was presented at this time, by which it appears that Joseph Tucker, John Baily, Paul Wing, Deborah Davis, & Rhoda Tucker, are appointed their Representatives, — who being called are all present excepting Rhoda Tucker, who sent a satisfactory reason for her absence. —

( Adjourned to the 9 hour to morrow morning). —

15 day met by adjournment, — Representatives all present who attended Yesterday. —

The Queries with Answers from the respective Meetings belonging to this Meeting were read, a summary of which follows, viz. —

Ansr. 1 Generally in a good degree carefull in the attendance of Meetings, and to bring their families, and mostly carefull not to give way to drowsiness, generally exemplary, and in some deficiencies some labour hath been bestowed. —

2 — Ministers appear to be preserved in soundness, as to word and Doctrine, and in a good degree, carefull to minister in the right ability, where it hath appeared otherwise care has been extended. —

3 — The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders, in a good degree clean and blameless among men, (Unity & harmonious Labour pretty well maintained, and a care not to give just occasion of offence, tho not at all times so carefull in these respects as Truth requires. —

4 — There appears a general care in these respects, tho sensible of weakness and a falling short. —

5 — Pretty carefull in these respects as far as appears.

6. A good degree of care to maintain the Discipline, and to administer justice. ——

7 — Clear so far as appears. —

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported as follows, viz. —

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings report, that, according to their sense all the Meetings have been held to general satisfaction; and where otherwise care has been taken, and have no particulars to remark. —

Newport 14th of 6 mo: 1802. Moses Brown } in behalf of
Mercy Slocum } the Committee.

9 The following information was selected from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting, viz —

That Salem Quarterly Meeting have united with Ware Mo. Meeting in approving of the public appearance in the ministry of Daniel B: Alley, and Jane Gove, also in the appointment of David Gove to the station of an Elder. —

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting have united with Nantucket Mo. Meeting, in approving of the public appearance in the Ministry of Dorcas Gardner, and Mary Barker, and with Sandwich Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Daniel Bowerman, with Acoaxet Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Prince Wing, with New Bedford Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Cornelius Howland, and Elizabeth Rodman; and with Nantucket No. District Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Susan Mitchell to the station of Elders. ——

That

That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting have United with Durham Mo. Meeting in approving of the public appearance in the Ministry of Joseph Douglas. —

That Smithfield Quarterly Meeting have United with Bolton Mo. Meeting in approving of the public appearance in the Ministry of Thomas Watson, and with Uxbridge Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Wm Potter to the Station of an Elder. —

Having been favoured to accomplish the business which has come before us in a good degree of Love and harmony, which with other favours mercifully extended at this season we desire thankfully to acknowledge, and conclude, intending by Divine Permission to meet again as usual at this place next Year. —

Signed in behalf of the Meeting

Clarke Rodman Clk

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1803
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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island in New England, began at Portsmouth, the 11th of 6 month 1803. — The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being brought in, the representatives appointed are, viz.

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| For Rhode Island. | John Casey, Benjamin Freeborn, Daniel Brayton, Freelove Harris, Deborah Greene, & Eunice Brayton. |
| Salem. | Samuel Collins, Peter Morril, David Gove, Micajah Collins, Jane Gove, and Deborah Rogers. — |
| Sandwich. | Cornelius Howland, Abisha Bunker, Caleb Greene, Lydia Brown, and Elizabeth Rodman. — |

Falmouth, - Amos Davis, William Winslow, and Anna Hacker.

Smithfield. { Daniel Aldridge, Richard Mowry, Josiah Shove,
Anna Thornton, and Anna Wheeler. —

Who being called are all present, excepting Alisha Bunker, and Eunice Brayton, who by written communications, assigned satisfactory reasons for their non attendance. —

Our beloved Friends, James Simpson & Martha Simpson, of Horsham Monthly Meeting in Pensylvania, & Richard Mott, of Purchase Monthly Meeting in the State of New-York, are acceptably with us. —

Accounts from the respective Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging, were read, and the following information extracted therefrom. viz.... —

That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Swansey Monthly Meeting, in approving of the Ministry of Abigail Lawton, and with South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in the appointment of John Willbor, Andrew Nichols Junr.. and Mary Peckham to the Station of Elders. —

That Salem Quarterly Meeting has United with Salem Monthly Meeting, in approving of the Ministry of Betsy Purington, and Mary Chase. ———

Cornelius Howland, Samuel Thurston, Moses Brown, Paul Rogers, John Tabor, Benjamin Freeborn, Truelove Harris, Deborah Rogers, Hephzibah Harris, Elizabeth Thurston, and Ruth Sherman, are appointed to the oversight of this and the ensuing Yearly Meeting, to report occasionally, or when their service is accomplished. —

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th Hour next Second day morning at Newport —

13th day met by adjournment, —— Representatives all present who attended our last ſitting. ——

Clarke Rodman, is appointed Clerk of this Meeting for the ensuing year. ——

Adjourned to the 14th ten to morrow morning. —

14th. We met by adjournment, Representatives all present who have heretofore attended, except Daniel Drayton, who we are informed is necessarily absent. —

The Queries, and Answers from the Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging were read, respecting which divers solid and weighty remarks were made which we are desirous may have a profiting effect. —

Summary of the aforesaid Answers. —

Ministers and Elders are generally carefull to attend all their Meetings for worship and discipline, and to bring their Families with them, endeavouring for good example in humble waiting, with some exception respecting the attendance of Meetings of business. —

That Ministers are generally in a good degree sound in word and Doctrine, mostly carefull to Minister in the right ability. ——

That the lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders, are generally in a good measure clean and blameless among men, generally in Unity one with another, and the Meetings they belong to, with one exception, and some expression of doubt respecting a sufficient extent of harmonious labour, generally carefull with respect to offences ——

That they endeavour to rule their Houses well, to bring up their families, and to be exemplary, as queried yet there appears ſome remiſsneſs in those respects. —

There appears a concern to labour for the promotion of Peace as queried, to avoid raising or spreading evil reports, or busying themselves improperly. —

That a care appears for the maintinance of the Discipline; none disposed to hide from the judgment of Truth, but endeavour for the impartial administration of Justice. —

Clear with respect to the ſeveral particulars contained in the ſeventh Query. —

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported as follows, viz. —

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings report that according to their ſense, the Meetings have been generally quiet, except an interruption at Portsmouth, by the Hour not being known to those not of our Society, the Public appearances generally to ſatisfaction, and where deficient either in the Meeting for Worship or Discipline ſome care has been taken. — Moſes Brown on behalf of
the Committee. —

We have renewed cause thankfully to acknowledge the continuation and extention of divine regard, by which we have been enabled to transact & accomplish the busineſs which has come before us in good degree of Love and Harmony, Under this persuasion we conclude, intending

intending by Divine permission to meet again as usual next Year. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,
Clarke Rodman Clk

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1804
6mo: } At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England, begun at Portsmouth the 9th of 6 month 1804. —

The Accounts from the respective Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being presented, the Representatives therein named are viz.

For Rhode Island } Moses Brown, Samuel Thurston, Daniel Howland, Mary Peckham, Elizabeth Thurston, Deborah Greene, and Freelove Harris. —

Salem } Nathan Breed, Daniel Cove, Micajah Collins, Ezekiel Hoit, Betsy Purington, and Deborah Rogers. —

Sandwich } Reuben Mitchell, Cornelius Howland, William Rotch Junr. Lydia Brown, & Elizath. Rodman.

Falmouth } Moses Sleeper, Ebenezer Winslow, George Ramsdale, Hannah Sleeper & Lydia Winslow.

Smithfield } Micah Shove, Thomas Watson, Rachel Bassett, and Lydia Smith. — —

Who being called are all present, excepting Cornelius

Howland, for whose absence, a satisfactory reason was assigned, also Lydia Smith who we are informed is necessarily absent.

Accounts from the several Meetings belonging to this Meeting were read, and the following information collected therefrom, viz ——— That Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting had concurred with Providence Monthly Meeting, in the dismission of Lucy Hunt, from the place of an Elder.

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with New Bedford Mo. Meeting in approving of the Ministry of Obadiah Davis, and Sam.l Davis, and with Nantucket Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Peleg Mitchell & Huldah Barney to the Station of Elders. ———

Moses Sleeper, Jethro Mitchell, William Rotch Jun.r Moses Brown, Benjamin Freeman, Preserved Harris, Phebe Brown, Deborah Almy and Patience Austin, are appointed to have the oversight of this and the ensuing Yearly Meetings, to report occasionally, or when their service is accomplished.

Adjourned to the 11th Inst. the 7th hour in the Morning. At Newport

11 day met by adjournment. Representatives all present except Lydia Smith. ———

The Representatives having nominated William Rotch Jun.r Clerk to this Meeting for the ensuing Year, which being approved he is appointed accordingly. ———

This Meeting now, and the preceding sitting has been deeply affected with information from Falmouth Quarterly

Meeting

Meeting) that there is so much a want of unity; among the members of Falmouth Mo. Meeting, that they were not in a capacity to answer their Queries, and altho' the Case has been some time under the Quarterly Meetings care, yet we feel a deep Solicitude, that, no neglect, may attend a defection so evidently tending to the destruction of Society, and so manifestly obstructing the progress of Truth, both in ourselves and others; whereupon we appoint Jethro Mitchell, Sylvester Wicks, David Buffum, William Rotch, Jeremiah Austin jun., Moses Brown, Elisha Thornton, Elizabeth Rotch, Phebe Brown, Elizabeth Rodman, & Mary Barker, to labour in the ability that Truth may afford, to bring about a reconciliation with the Friends of that Meeting, and proceed therein as way may open and report to our next yearly Meeting.

Adjourned to the Ninth hour tomorrow morning.

12th day, met by Adjournment.

The Queries have been read, with Answers from the several Quarterly Meetings, from which the following summary was drawn, viz.

Ministers and Elders are generally carefull to attend all their Meetings, for worship & Discipline, and to encourage their families thereto; but not without exceptions, in which care is taken: There is also an instance or two of drowsiness, noted in one Meeting; Generally carefull to be examplary in humble waiting.

Generally sound in word and Doctrine, and carefull to minister in the right ability; with one exception; in which care is taken.

Mostly in love and tenderness among them, Unity and

and harmonious Labour measurably experienced, tho' not without exception: carefull to avoid giving offence.

A good degree of care appears, for the right government of Families; and to be exemplary herein, tho' there are ſome deficiencies in these respects.

Generally carefull, for the promotion of Peace in families, and in the Church, and to avoid ſpreading evil reports, or to busy ourselves improperly; tho' there appears to be ſome exceptions in one meeting.

The Discipline appears to be in a good measure maintained; generally resigned to the judgment thereof, when occasions are given; none appear disposed to hide their families therefrom; and impartial Justice is endeavoured after.

The ſeveral particulars contained in the 7th Query, appear to be well observed.

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings report as follows viz

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of Meetings, Report, that the Meetings have been large, & held to general ſatisfaction, and the public appearances therein mostly acceptable, and when otherwise ſome care has been extended.

on behalf of the Committee
William Rotch Junr.

Third day morning.

Having been favoured in our ſeveral ſittings, with a degree of the covering of Divine Love, wherein we have been enabled to accomplish the affairs of the Church that have come before us, in harmony and Love; Under a thankfull ſense whereof we conclude, intending to meet again as usual on this Island next Year, if the Lord permit.

Signed in behalf of the Meeting.
William Rotch Junr. Clerk.

1805
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At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth the 15th 6 mo. 1805. ——

The Accounts from our several Quarterly Meetings, being presented, the Representatives therein named are, viz

For Rhode Island

Moses Brown, David Buffum, Daniel Brayton, Lydia Wykes, Elizabeth Thurston, & Abigail Stanton.

For Salem.

Samuel Collins, Ezekiel Hoit, Richard Dame, and Mehitable Jenkins. ——

For Sandwich.

Jethro Mitchell, Obadiah Davis, Joseph King, Ruth Davis, & Lydia Rotch. ——

For Falmouth.

John Winslow, John Tabor, William Winslow, and Thankfull Hussey. ——

For Smithfield.

Asa Smith, Daniel Aldridge, Deborah Mowry, and Anna Thornton. ——

All present except Abigail Stanton lately removed by Death, and Thankfull Hussey. ——

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting informs that the appointment of Abigail Greene, to the Station of an Elder, by Greenwich Monthly Meeting; and the approving of the Ministry of William Almy by Providence Monthly Meeting, have been approved by the Qr. Meeting.

Richard Mitchell, Paul Rogers, Sylvester Wyker, Moses Brown, Phebe Brown, Sarah Wilbor, Lydia Smith, and Hephzibah Harris, are appointed to have the oversight of this & the ensuing Yearly Meeting, and report occasionally, or when their service may be accomplished.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour on second day morning, the 17th Instant at Newport. ——

17th day met by adjournment. ——

Thankfull Hussey representative from Falmouth, attended at this Time. ——

The Representatives propose William Rotch Jun.r for Clerk to this Meeting, he is appointed accordingly for the Year ensuing.

We have very acceptably the Company of our beloved friends William Crotch from Great Brittain, & Richard Jordan from Hartford in Connecticut. ——

The Queries were Read, with Answers, from our Several Quarterly Meetings, opening the State of Society in this part of the Family, which has occasioned cause of much exercise, and many instructive Observations were made, which are recommended to individual attention. ——

We adjourn to the 8th hour to morrow morning. -

18th day met by adjournment. ——

The Committee appointed last year on Account of the report from Falmouth Quarterly Select Meeting made the following report, which is acceptable to this Meeting, viz,

Agreeable to appointment we have visited the Select Monthly Meeting in Falmouth, and having addressed them on the Subject occasioning our visit, we herewith present a Copy thereof, and further inform that the same was read to see the Parties concerned, together, after we had visited the ſeveral Families; and they all appeared to be cordially diſpoſed to obſerve the advice. The Committee of that ſelect Quarterly Meeting attended, and with us had the consolation of hearing the Parties ſeverally expreſs their ſatiſfaction therewith; and we have Reaſon to hope that the difficulties that ſubſiſted among them are in good meaſure removed: All which we ſubmit

24th of 5mo: 1804 } Phebe Brown. William Rotch.
Sylveſter Wickes. Moses Brown.
To the Select Yy Meeting. Jeremiah Austin, junr. David Buffum.

The Yearly Meeting informs that, William Almy, and Abel Haughton, have been approved as Ministers and Mary Anthony, Mary Collins, and James Tucker, are appointed Elders, and that Sarah Breed, hath been dismiſsed from the Select Meeting. ——

We adjourn to the 7th hour, in the Morning following the concluding of the Yearly Meeting. —

20th Met by adjournment. ——

The Committee for the overſight of Meetings report as follows viz. ——

The Committee for the overſight of Meetings, Report that they have attended to their appointment, and tho' according to their ſenſe ſome of our Meetings have not been ſo lively as at ſome other Seaſons; yet they have been conducted in a good degree orderly, and the Ministry mostly to pretty good ſatiſfaction; and where otherwiſe care has been taken, which has appeared well received. Signed on behalf of the Committee

19th of 6mo: 1805. ——
To the Select Yy Meeting.

Moses Brown.
Hephzibah Harris.

Having thankfully to acknowledge the kindness of our heavenly Father, in preserving us through the several sittings of this Meeting in a good degree of Patience under the various Exercises that have attended us; granting at Seasons a renewal of Strength to accomplish the Business that came before us; and particularly at this time, covering our minds with the Canopy of his Love, confirming us in the propriety, & usefulness, of concluding the Yearly Meeting with the sitting of this Meeting: We conclude to meet again as usual next year.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

William Rotch Jr. Clk

1806 6mo: At our Yearly Meeting for Ministers & Elders held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth the 14th of 6 month 1806 ——

The Accounts being received from our several Quarterly Meetings the Representatives therein named are —— For Rhode Island.

Moses Brown, Sylvester Wicks, William Almy, Clarke Rodman, Lydia Wicks, Anna Greene, & Abigail Robinson.

For Salem.

Micajah Collins, Daniel Gove, Samuel Collins, Joseph Philbrick Janet Gove & Betsy Purington.

For Sandwich

John Bailey, Cornelius Howland, James Tucker, Ruth Davis and Rhoda Tucker.

For Falmouth,

Ebenezer Winslow, John Winslow, John Taber, & Elizabeth Taber. --- For Smithfield.

Israel Tabor, Josiah Shove, Deborah Mowry, and Lydia Fry. ------ Who were all present at our first collecting, but through indisposition one friend was under the necessity of leaving the Meeting.

We have at this time very acceptably the company of our beloved Friends, William Crotch, from Great-Britain, Enoch Dorland, Daniel Quinby, Naomi Halsted, ~~Lydia Arnold~~, William Mitchell, & Isaac Doty, from the State of New-york, Isaac Bonsall and Hannah Fisher, from Pensylvania, and Lydia Arnold from Hartford.

We appoint John Fry, Moses Brown, Cornelius Howland, Paul Rogers, John Wilbour, Anna Hacker, Anna Greene, Deborah Mowry, & Elizabeth Thurston, to have the oversight of the members in this and the ensuing sittings of the yearly Meeting, and report as occasion may require.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour on second day morning, the 16th Inst. at Newport.

The 16th day met at Newport by adjournment.

The Representatives all present.

The Queries were read, with answers from the several

Quarterly Meetings, which exhibited an affecting state of weakness and want of proper dedication in this part of the Family many minds have been brought under exercise, and concern, particularly that we may labour after Divine assistance, to enable us to extend a more religious care to the dear Children, under our care whilst their infant minds are docile, and susceptible, that they may be early instructed in the simplicity of the Truth, and endeavours used to bring them into the Love of it, whereby we may have a well grounded hope that they may be more preserved from the prevailing vanities of the world. ——

9th Adjourned to the close of the Yearly Meeting. ——

19 day, met by adjournment. ——

William Rotch junr., is appointed Clerk, for the Ensuing Year. —

The Committee to have the oversight of Meetings, report that they have attended that service.

The Clerk of the Yearly Meeting informs of the following additions to their Meeting. —

From Salem Quarter, Abigail Dame. — Smithfield, Jesse Batty & Elizabeth Smith. — Falmouth Thomas Jones, Ezekiel Emery, & Dorothy Wing. — Rhode Island also informs of the addition of Ann Smith, Sarah Wilbur, Mary Collins, & Sarah Earl. ——

Summary from the reports.

Ministers & Elders appear to be generally in a good degree carefull to attend all our Meetings, and to take their families with them, measurably exemplary in humble waiting, and mostly carefull as to demeanour. ——

Ministers appear, mostly sound in word & doctrine, and carefull to minister in right ability. ——

Mostly in a good degree blameless among men, in unity with one another, & the Meetings, a good degree of harmonious labour experienced. ——

Care appears for right government of families, and examplary therein, yet not always successful herein.

Generally careful to promote peace, and not improperly busying themselves. ——

The Discipline appears to be generally maintained. Observing the Seventh Query appears general. —

Having been favoured at our several sittings with the presence of our heavenly Fathers love, we feel our minds at this time impressed with thankfulness therefor, and conclude intending if the Lord permit to meet again as usual next year in this Island.

Signed in behalf of the Meeting.

William Rotch jun.r Clk.

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1807 6mo. — At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island for New England, beginning 7th day the 13 of 6 month 1807. ——

Accounts being received from our several Quarterly meetings, the following Friends are therein named representatives viz. For Rhode Island

Daniel Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, William Almy, Rowland Greene, Lydia Hicks, Freelove Harris, Deborah Greene, and Sarah Earl. —

For Salem.

Daniel Gove, Samuel Collins, Paul Rogers, & Deborah Rogers.

Sandwich

Joseph Tucker, John Bailey, and Ruth Davis.

Falmouth.

John Winslow, Thomas Jones, and [illegible] Winslow.

Smithfield.

Daniel Aldrich, Israel Sabin, Lydia Gates & Anna Thornton.

All present except Anna Thornton, whose reasons for her absence, is acceptable.

We have had at this meeting the acceptable company of our beloved friends, Richard Jordan, Richard Mott and Matthew Franklin, from the yearly Meeting of New York.— and Sarah Talbot, Mary Shrieve, Sarah Pope, & John Lanes from that of Philadelphia.

We appoint Richard Mitchell, John Greene, Moses Brown, William Peckham, Daniel Gove, John Wilbur, Josiah Shove, Freelove Harris, Anna Greene, Sarah Earl, & Deborah Rogers, to have the oversight of our members, in this and the ensuing yearly meeting, & make such report during our sittings as they may find necessary.

The Accounts inform of the following Additions to this meeting, viz, David Earl of Swansea, and Lucy Ann Knowles of South Kingstown, & Lydia Page of Ward, to the station of Elders, also that Daniel Brayton of Swansey has been approved as a Minister.

We adjourn to the 7th hour in 2 day morning next at Newport

15 day met by adjournment.

The Queries were read, with answers from the several Quarterly meetings and the following summary prepared therefrom

Ministers and Elders appear to be mostly carefull to attend all our Meetings & to promote their families therein in endeavouring

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to be exemplary in humble waiting and mostly careful as to drowsiness. — Ministers appear mostly sound in word and doctrine and mostly careful to minister in right ability. — In a good degree blameless amongst men, mostly in unity one with another and in feelings they belong to. — They appear concerned for the right government of families, & exemplary themselves, yet not always successful in promoting it in their Children. — Generally careful to promote unity in families and in the Church, also to maintain the Discipline excepting one meeting.

The due observance of the 7th Query appears general.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning.

16th day met by adjournment. ——

The Yearly Meeting informs the following additions to this meeting, in Sandwich Quarterly meeting Benjamin Mitchell in the ministry & Samuel Macy as an Elder in Smithfield Reuben Randal as an Elder, and that the following have been dismissed from the [illegible] Quarterly meeting, viz John Easton, Jacob Taber & Pennington Cobb, and that Peter Davis of South Kingston has been approved as a minister.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning. —— 17th day met by adjournment.

The Committee on the oversight of meetings make the following report. — The Committee for the oversight of Meetings report that according to their sense the meetings on first day were favoured seasons, those in the afternoon not so much so, that they have attended to their appointment and endeavoured to discharge themselves where it appeared necessary), to a good degree of satisfaction; and have nothing further particularly to remarks. ——

Signed on behalf of the Committee. Moses Brown.
Anna Greene.

Newport 16 of 6 mo: 1807.

We adjourn to the 5 hour this afternoon. —

Afternoon met by adjournment. —

Having been favoured in the several sittings of this meeting, with a good degree of the heavenly Fathers Love, we have thankfully to acknowledge the continuation thereof in the present closing opportunity; and conclude to meet again as usual next year in this Island if the Lord permit. — Signed on behalf of our meeting aforesaid.

William Rotch Junr
Clerk.

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1808
6 mo: At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England the 11th of 6 month 1808. ——

Accounts being received from all our Quarterly Meetings, the following Friends are therein named for Representatives viz. ——

For Rhode Island,

William Almy, David Buffum, Sylvester Wickes, Lydia Wickes, Elizabeth Thurston, and Anna Greene. —

Salem.

Daniel Gove, Samuel Collins, Paul Rogers, Betty Purington, and Abigail Dame. —

## Sandwich.

Cornelius Howland, Laban Mitchell, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Macy, Anna Thornton, Elizabeth Rodman, and Rhoda Tucker. —

## Falmouth.

Moses Hussey, George Philbrick, Hannah Hussey and Thankful Hussey. —

## Smithfield.

Josiah Shove, Israel Sabin, Lydia Fry, and Abigail Harris. —

All present except Lydia Wickes & Abigail Harris, for whose absence acceptable reasons were rendered.

We have at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friends Evan Thomas and Samuel McKim from Baltimore. —

The Queries were read with Answers from our several Quarterly Meetings, by which the following appears to be the State of our members, viz, —

It appears that there is a general care to attend meetings, and to be exemplary therein, with some exceptions in one account. —

That the ministry is preserved in a good degree of soundness, and a general care maintained to minister in the right ability. — That there is a good degree of care to lead blameless lives, and to preserve the unity of the Body. — There appears care in a good measure to rule their houses, and to bring up their families in plainness, and in a good degree exemplary themselves. —

Generally concerned to be peace makers in families and in the Church, and to guard against raising or spreading evil reports. ——— And carefull to maintain the Discipline.

Sylvester Wicks, Daniel Gove, Cornelius Howland, & Benjamin Freeborn, Anna Thornton, Hephzibah Harris, and Hannah Peeper, are appointed to have the oversight of our members during the Yearly Meeting, take care to bestow such labour as they may find needful, and report hereafter to this meeting as occasion may require. ———

Sandwich Quarterly meeting inform that, they have united with Sandwich monthly meeting in approving the public appearances in the ministry of Benjamin Parceval.

We adjourn to the eighth hour on third day morning at Newport. ——— 4th day met by adjournment. —

Representatives all present that have before attended.

The Committee appointed to the oversight of our members report that they have endeavoured to attend to their appointment, & had extended such care & caution as they had apprehended necessary. ———

Having been favoured in our deliberations with a good degree of cementing Love, wherein an exercise hath been manifested, particularly that Friends may be more and more excited to the support of our testimony against the use of Spirituous liquors, which we fear has proved the temporal & Spiritual ruin of many; and also that Friends may be preserved from the hurtful influence of mixing with the spirit of the world, in the present party commotions, and recommend the pertinent remarks that have been made upon these subjects to the to the practical observance of this branch of the family; we conclude, intending to meet again on this Island next year, if the Lord permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

William Rotch Jun^r. Cl^k

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1809. At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England, the 10 day of the 6 mo: 1809.

Accounts being received from all our Quarterly Meetings, the representatives therein named are.

For Rhode Island,

John Casey, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Daniel Brayton, Prudence Harris, Hephzibah Harris, Eliz^th Thurston.

Salem.

Samuel Collins, Matthew Purinton, Paul Rogers, Elizabeth Breed, and Betsey Purinton.

Sandwich.

John Bailey, James Davis, James Tucker, Abishai Bunker, Mercy Slocum, and Elizabeth Rodman.

Falmouth,

Moses Sleeper, Ebenezer Winslow, Thomas Jones, Hannah Sleeper.

Smithfield,

Jonathan Morry, Thomas Watson, Josiah Shove, Elizabeth Smith and Sarah Holder.

all present, except Daniel Brayton, Hephzibah Harris and Sarah Holder.

We have at this time the Company of our beloved Friends. James Mendenhall from Virginia, & Job Haines from New Jersey. Esther Griffin & Hannah Field, from Purchase, and Elizabeth Hunt, from New Jersey, whose certificates were read & their company very acceptable to us.

The Accounts from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting inform, that the public appearances in the ministry of Susannah Barker, Hannah Dennis & Sarah Fish, have been approved. —

The Accts from Salem inform, that the public appearances in the ministry of Cyrus Beede, have been approved, and that Nathan Beede, hath been removed from the station of an Elder. —

We appoint Benjamin Freeborn, Matthew Purington, Moses Sleeper, Cornelius Howland, Freelove Harris, Elizabeth Redman, Hannah Sleeper, Deborah Rogers & Anna Greene, to have the oversight of our members, during the yearly meeting, to extend such counsel & caution, as they may find necessary, and report to this meeting as occasion may require. —

The Queries were read with Answers from all our Meetings, and some of them having exercised this meeting, we appoint William Rotch, Micajah Collins, David Buffum & Moses Brown, jointly to consider them, and collect there from the state of this part of the family, & make such observations to this meeting as they may find proper. —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour, on third morning next, at Newport. —

13th day met by adjournment, and the yearly Meeting having adjourned to the 9th hour, we again adjourn to the 8th hour to morrow morning. —

14th day met by adjournment: The Representatives who have hitherto not attended, viz. Daniel Brayton attended at this time & rendered a satisfactory reason for not being present at the first sitting. —

The yearly Meeting directed information to us, that Moses Farnum, is appointed to the station of an Elder, and that the public appearance in the ministry of Deborah Pinkham, had been disapproved.

The Committee appointed upon the Answers to the Queries made the following report, viz. —

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We have attended to our appointment, and on enquiry find, that, Salem select quarterly meeting have appointed a committee on the subject which occasioned the affecting account in their answers, and from our acquaintance otherways with the case; apprehend that, that meeting will be able to extend the needful care, yet we think it safe, if this meeting should feel it proper, to appoint a few friends to correspond with that meetings committee, or individuals, to strengthen the hands of the well concerned, and to report next year. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee, - Moses Brown
Newport the 13th of 6 mo: 1809. —

Which meeting our acceptance we appoint Moses Brown, Elisha Thornton & David Buffum, to render such assistance as they may be enabled to do, and report to next yearly meeting. —

We have at this time the company of our friend Anna Merrit from Nine Partners. —

The Summary of the above answers to the Queries is as follows, viz. —

It appears that there is a general care with respect to the attendance of Meetings & preventing families thereto also in humble waiting and [illegible] [illegible] some instances of deficiency excepted. —

There also appears to be a good degree of care with most friends with respect to the ministry. — A good degree of care is maintained by the greater part of friends relative to circumspect lives & conversation; for the preservation of unity, & harmonious labour, and to avoid giving just cause of offence, tho' there appears a sorrowful defection in most of these particulars with individuals in one Quarterly meeting, and not without exceptions in others.

A good degree of engagement prevails, to bring up our families in plainness and moderation, tho' a falling short in these respects is apparent in most places: generally exemplary members.

There does not appear to be any material defection with respect to the other branches of our religious testimony, tho' one Meeting notes some exception with respect to the fifth Query. —

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings inform that they have attended to their appointment, and have not discovered any thing in them, but what has been to pretty good satisfaction, Having been favoured in our sittings with the extendings of Divine regard, and accomplished the business which came before us in harmony and Love, our minds have been comforted under a thankful sense thereof, in which we conclude, intending to meet again on this Island next year if the Lord permit. — Signed in & on behalf of our said Meeting.

William Rotch Jr Clk

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1810
6mo: At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island the 9th day of the 6 month 1810. ——

Accounts being received from all our Quarterly Meetings, the representatives therein named are. — ——

For Rhode Island,

Richard Mitchell, Moses Brown, Rowland Greene, John Greene, Peter Hoxie, Anna Greene, Elizabeth Thurston & Sarah Wilbour. ——

Salem

Samuel Collins, Matthew Purington, Paul Rogers, Betsy Purington, and Deborah Rogers. ——

Sandwich,

John Bailey, Obadiah Davis, Anna Thornton and Ruth Davis. ——

Falmouth : Noah Read,

Smithfield,

Daniel Aldrich, Thomas Watson, Jessee Battey, Mary Wing, Sarah Holder, and Deborah Mowrey. —

who mostly attended. ——

Having at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friends John Shoemaker from Abington monthly meeting, Pensylvania, Thomas Titus, from Cornwall, monthly Meeting, and Sarah Hull & Mary Hull, from Stanford monthly meeting in the State of New York, their several Certificates were read. —

We appoint Moses Brown, William Rotch, Paul Rogers, Benjamin Freeborn, Hezibah Harris, Deborah Rogers, and Elizabeth Thurston, to have the oversight of our members, during the yearly meeting, bestow caution and counsel if necessary and report to this meeting as occasion may require. —

Rhode Island Quarterly meeting inform that they have united with Swansey Monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Elizabeth Chase, and Mary Earl to the Station of Elders. —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour on third day next at Newport.

12 day, met by adjournment. —

The representatives all attended this meeting excepting Samuel Collins and Sarah Wilbour, whose absence we are informed is occasioned by bodily indisposition. —

The Queries were read, with Answers from all the Meetings hereto belonging, by which it appears, that, —

Ministers and elders are generally careful to attend meetings for Worship, and to bring their families with them, also to be dilligent in attending meetings for Discipline, encouraging such of their families as are suitable. —.

That ministers are in a good careful in the exercise of their gifts, and where there is an exception, there is an expression of care being taken. —

That the lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders, are mostly clean and blameless among men, mostly in Unity one with another, and with the meetings they belong to, a good degree of harmonious labouring together, for the honour of Truth appears, except in one meeting, where there is an acknowledgment of the want thereof, being apparent, they also generally appear concerned for the right government of their families, altho' not always successful, in preserving them in the simplicity required, mostly good examples themselves, and generally concerned to promote peace in families and in the Church, useful to maintain the Discipline, & concerned to administer justice as faithful servants. —

By the report of the Committee appointed last year, it appears, that, they have been willing to give such attention to the subject as appeared necessary, but from the peculiarity of attendant circumstances, no way opened for much labour therein, they are however, continued to give such assistance as they may be enabled, to the Committee of Salem Quarterly meeting, when they may have occasion to apply for it. —

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of our members, report, that, they have given attention to their appointment, but had not any thing to lay before us thereupon.

Having been favoured with a good degree of the heavenly Fathers Love, during each of our sittings, and accomplished the business which came before us, we feel a thankful sense thereof, and conclude, intending to meet again next year, on Rhode Island, if the Lord permit. — —

Signed in & on behalf of our said meeting,

William Rotch Jr. Clerk

1811 At a yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island the 15th of 6 month 1811. ——

Accounts were received from all our Quarterly meetings, by which it appears, that, the following Friends were appointed representatives. — — — —

For Rhode Island.

John Casey, Benjamin Freeborn, William Almy Ann Smith, Sarah Earl, and Hannah Dennis.

Salem,

Matthew Purington, Richard Dame, Micajah Collins, Keziah Purington, & Abigail Dame. —

Sandwich,

John R. Davis, Peleg Mitchell, James Tucker, Benjamin Persival, Ruth Davis, Mary Howland & Elizath Mitchell.

Falmouth,

Ebenezer Winslow, Thomas Jones, Anna Hacker, Mary Estes, & Thankful Hussey. —— — —

Smithfield.

Richard Mowry, Jeſse Batty, Rachal Baſsett, and Deborah Mowry. — ——

Who are all present excepting John R. Davis, for whose absence an acceptable reason was given. ——

We have at this time had the acceptable company of our beloved friends, Evan Thomas, from Baltimore, William Williams from Tennesee, Thomas Scattergood, from Philadelphia, Benjamin White & Oliver Paxton from Buckingham, Richard Mott from Mamaroneck, Asa Moore from

Virginia, Susannah Horn from Tottenham, near London, Mary Allinson, Susan R: Smith & Grace Mills from Burlington, Phebe Field from Amawalk, & Hannah G: Field from Purchase, whose Certificates were read.

The Queries were read, with Answers from our several Quarterly Meetings, by which it appears that a concern is prevalent in all our Meetings, for the practical observance of those duties which the Gospel enjoins yet there are a few in this part of the family, who are deficient therein; an affecting consideration which excited much exercise at this time and we hope that the expression of tender caution and counsel, will encourage to more faithfulness and diligence.

We appoint Benjamin Freeborn, Matthew Purington, Peleg Mitchell, Enoch Comstock, Moses Brown, Clarke Rodman, Deborah Greene, Lydia Smith, Anna Hacker, and Anna Thornton, to have the oversight of our members at this season, extend such care as may be necessary and report to a future sitting.

We adjourn to the 7 hour on third day next at Newport.

We met by adjournment.

The Committee to have the oversight of Meetings, inform that they have attended to their appointment, & have nothing to remark to this meeting.

Having accomplished the business which came before us, we have renewed cause to commemorate the continued goodness of our heavenly father, who hath graciously condescended this morning to send us the precious influence of

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his cementing Love, whereby our minds have been encou-
raged, refreshed and enabled to render unto him in humil-
-ity and reverence thanksgiving and praise. ——

Signed on behalf of the Meeting by
William Rotch Jr. Clerk.

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1812. At a yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders, held in Rhode Island the 13 day of 6 mo: 1812. ——

Accounts were received from all our Quarterly meetings, by which it appears, that, the following friends were appointed representatives to this meeting, viz. ——

—— For Rhode Island. ——

Moses Brown, David Buffum, Sylvester Wickes, Benjamin Buffington, Lydia Wickes, Hephzibah Harris & Sarah Wilbur. —

—— Salem. ——

Paul Rogers, Matthew Purington, Ezekiel Hoit, Betsy Purington, and Mary Chase. ——

—— Sandwich. ——

Obadiah Davis, Robert Brayton, James Davis, James Tucker, Elizabeth Rodman, Ruth Davis, & Mary Howland.

—— Falmouth. ——

Moses Sleeper, Nicholas Cobb, Hannah Sleeper & Eliza Tabor.

—— Smithfield. ——

Royal Southwick, Thomas Holder, Elizabeth Smith, and Sarah Holder. ——

All present except Sarah Wilbur and Mary Howland. — the latter appears to be prevented by sickness in her family. —

We have at this time had the acceptable company of our beloved friends David Sands, Fry Willis, Anna Willis, & Matthew Franklin from the State of New York, Elijah Hoag and his companion Nicholas Battey from the State of Vermont. —

The following information was reported from the Accounts, that Holder Almy has been approved as a Minister, who has since deceased that Robert Booty & Mary Purington had also been approved as Ministers, and Reuben Bracket, William Cobb, Nathan Pope, Salome Robinson, and Mary Read, had been appointed to the Station of Elders, and that Andrew Nichols had been dismissed from the Station of an Elder. ——

The Queries were read, with answers from our several Quarterly Meetings, a summary whereof are as follows, viz. ——

The several particulars contained in the first query appear generally to be without exception.

Ministers in general appear to be preserved from being burthensome, by carefully waiting for right ability. ——

The lives and conversation of Ministers & Elders in a good degree clean & blameless among Men, Unity in a good measure maintained & harmonious labour for Truth's honour in the same respect is promoted, yet an appearance in one Meeting of a falling short in these respects with some at times.

A good degree of care with respect to the right government of Families, & exemplary demeanour, tho not without exception resulting from human weakness. ——

A good degree of care is observable in most places for the promotion of love in Families & in the Church, also to maintain the discipline, with an exception or two in one meeting in which care is taken. ——

We appoint Moses Brown, Sylvester Wicker, Cornelius Howland, Moses Sleeper, Jethro Mitchell, Hephzibah Harris, Elizabeth Purinton, Rhoda Tucker, & Elizabeth Thurston, to have the oversight of our Members, during the sittings of our Yearly meeting, extend such care as they may find necessary, & report to a future sitting of this Meeting. ——

We adjourn to the 7th hour next third day morning at Newport. —— 16th day met by adjournment. ——

The following information was reported to the yearly meeting from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting that Abel Collins had been approved as a Minister. From Salem that the ministry of Amos Peasley had been approved, and Estes Newhall appointed to the place of an Elder. From Sandwich that the ministry of Avis Keen had been approved, and Abial Akin & Deborah Hoxie, appointed to the place of Elders. From Falmouth that they had approved of the ministry of Joseph Sampson. ——

The Committee to have the oversight of Meetings report, that, they have attended to their appointment, & where it was necessary some care had been taken. —— ——

Having been favoured with a good degree of divine influence thro' the sittings of this Meeting, and the business which came before us being accomplished, we conclude intending to meet again next year on this Island if the Lord permit. —

William Rotch junr. Clerk.

1813. — At our yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island the 12th day of 6th mo: 1813. ... —

By accounts received from the several Quarterly meetings, the Representatives herein named are. —

From Rhode Island, Moses Brown, Benjamin Buffington,
Clarke Rodman, Andrew Nichols junr. Obed Mitchel,
Elizabeth Thurston, [illegible] [illegible], and Sarah Wilbur. —

Salem ... Micajah Collins, Paul Rogers, Mable Osborn,
Lydia Dean and Betsy Purington. —

Sandwich. Stepn. Davis, Cornelius Howland, James Tucker.
Mary Howland, Ruth Davis & Elizabeth Barker.

Falmouth. Moses Sleeper, Thomas Jones & Hannah Sleeper. —

Smithfield. Royal Southwick, Jonatn. Fry, Lydia Fry and
Deborah Mowry. —— ——

who are all present, Except Mabel Osborne, Lydia Dean, Elizabeth Barker, Lydia Fry, & Deborah Murry; in the absence of several of whom reasons were offered. ——

We have at this time had the acceptable company of our beloved friends Abel Thomas, Enoch Dorland, Henry Hull, & Benjamin Mitchell, Jacob Willets, Elizabeth Coggeshall & Ann Shipley, whose Certificates have been read. ——

The Queries were read, with Answers, from our several Meetings excepting that for Sandwich. ——

By Accounts from the several Meetings we are informed that, in Rhode Island Quarterly meeting the appearance in the ministry of John Wilbur has been approved, & Sarah Hasard, Benjamin Hasard, & Mary Spencer, appointed to the Station of Elders. In Falmouth the Ministry of Robert Blair had been approved, & in Smithfield Esek Cooke, David Smith, & Hannah Holder, have been appointed to the Station of Elders. ——

We appoint Richard Mitchell, Sylvester Wickes, Moses Sleeper, Benjamin Freeborn, Freelove Harris, Hephzibah Buffum, Hephzibah Harris & Sarah Barker, to have the oversight of our Members during the continuance of the Yearly meeting, discharge the necessary care, and report to a future setting. ——

We adjourn to the 7th hour on third day morning, the 15th Instant at Newport. ——

15th day met by adjournment. ——

The Representatives propose William Rotch Jun. Clerk for the ensuing year, he is accordingly appointed. —

It appears by information to the Yearly meeting that the Ministry of Enoch Page, Hannah Purington, & Jedediah Jepson has been approved, and also the appointment of Hannah Collins Ruth Osborn, Stephen Nichols, Mary Fry, Samuel Pope, and Ezra Briggs to the place of Elders. ——

The Answers from Sandwich were now received, by which of the other reports it appears, that, our members are generally carefull in attending all their meetings, and promoting their families thereto; that ministers are generally carefull in the exercise of their Gifts to wait for divine ability

That Ministers and Elders are mostly carefull in life and conversation, to be clean and blameless amongst Men, & to be in Unity with all, harmoniously labouring together, for Truths honour, and are concerned to rule their own houses well, & to promote peace in families & in the Church, endeavouring to maintain the Discipline, & to administer Justice as faithfull servants. —

The Committee appointed at our first sitting, report that they have attended to their service, & have nothing special to communicate to this sitting. —

Our sittings having been through the continuance of divine favour, humbling & instructive seasons, and having accomplished the business which came before us, under a sense of thankfulness to our gracious & mercifull Preserver, we conclude intending to meet again next Year in this Island, if the Lord permit. —

William Rotch jr. Clk

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At a yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island, for New England the 11 of 6 mo: 1814. —

The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings, by their Accounts are for. —

Rhode Island, David Buffum, Andrew Nichols Jur, Sylvester Wicks, William Almy, Mary Spencer, Susanah Freeborn, Hannah Dennis, and Mary Collins. —

Salem, Estes Newall, Matthew Purington, Abel Houghton, Hannah Collins, and Lydia Dean. —

Sandwich, Obadiah Davis, James Tucker, Robert Brayton, Dorcas Gardner, Elizabeth Rodman, and Sarah Tucker. —

Falmouth — Joseph Douglas, Ebenezer Winslow, William Cobb, Thankful Hussey, and Phebe Cobb. —

Smithfield, — Royal Southwick, Richard Mowry, Mary B: Allen, and Rachal Basset. —

Vasselborough, — Moses Sleeper, and Hannah Sleeper. —

The representatives are all present except Robt: Brayton, Dorcas Gardner, Elizabeth Rodman, and Sarah Tucker. — Elizabeth Rodman and Sarah Tucker, sent satisfactory reasons for their nonattendance. —

We have also the acceptable company of our friends, John Moore, and Nathan Harper from Pensylvania, and Daniel Haviland, James Hallock, Deborah Howland, Azariah Howland, Zeno Carpenter and Hannah Jenkins from the State of New york, whose Certeficates were read. —

We appoint Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Moses Sleeper, Richard Mitchell, Hannah Sleeper, Hepzibah Buffum Susannah Freeborn and Jeremiah Austin, to have the care of our Members during the sittings of the yearly Meeting, and report to a future sitting. —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour on third day next the 14th Inst. to meet at Newport. ——

14th day met by adjournment, —— The representatives present as at last meeting, with the addition of Robert Brayton.

It appears that the following friends have been added to this Meeting since last year, for Rhode Island Jonathan Dennis, Latitia Anthony Sarah Greene and Beriah Collins, Elders for Salem Joseph Philbrick and William Brown Ministers, John Hoeg, Judith Bede, Isaac Basset Jnr, Enoch Breed Elders. —— for Sandwich, Merab Gardner an Elder. — Falmouth – Samuel F: Hussey, Ester Jones, Elders. — Smithfield – Alice Rathburn, Minister.

Vassalborough, Cyrus Dean, Hannah Sampson & Mary Briggs Elders. ——

William Almy is appointed Clk, and Thomas Howland assistant Clk. for the year ensuing. ——

This Meeting is informed that Dorcas Gardner, has been prevented from attending this meeting by the difficulty of getting from Nantucket at this time. ——

The Queries and Answers from the quarterly meetings hereto belonging have been read by which it appears, that, our members generally are carefull to attend meetings for worship and discipline, and to encourage their families in this duty. —— That ministers in the exercise of their gifts, are generally in good measure carefull to wait for right ability. That the lives and conversation of ministers & Elders are in good degree clean and blameless among men, that they are in Unity one with another, and that some harmonious labour is extended. —— That they rule their houses generally in a good measure according to our discipline, and are pretty good examples. —— That they endeavour generally to be peace makers in families & in the Church, maintaining the Discipline as faithfull servants. ——

The Committee for the oversight of our members reported that

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they have attended to their appointment.

This Meeting having been favoured in its several sittings with (as we trust) a degree of saving influence, conclude agree by divine permission to meet again next year on this Island.

William Almy Clk.

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At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island, for New England the 10th of 6 month 1815.

Accounts being received from all the Quarterly Meetings, the Representatives therein named are viz:

For Rhode Island, Moses Brown, Clarke Rodman, Sylvester Wykes, John Willbour, Daniel Brayton, Hannah Dennis, Mary Spencer & Lydia Smith.
Salem. - - Isaac Bassett jun. Enoch Page, Paul Rogers, Lydia Breed, & Lydia Dean.
Sandwich. - Obadiah Davis, Cornelius Howland, John Baily, James Davis, Dorcas Gardner, Ruth Davis, Elizabeth Rodman & Mary Howland.
Falmouth .. Ebenezer Winslow, George Pilbrook, & Phebe Cobb.
Smithfield. .. Richard Mowry, Jesse Batty, Lydia Gates, Elizabeth Smith, & Josiah Shove.
Vassalborough - Moses Sleeper & Samuel Pope.

All of whom attended except John Willbour, Lydia Smith, Cornelius Howland, Elizabeth Rodman, & Richard Mowry. — For the four last satisfactory reasons were assigned for their absence.

We have also the acceptable company of our friends John Heald & his Companion James Boulton, from the Ohio, Edward Stabler, from Baltimore, & Isaac Bonsell from Pensylvania, Richard Mott New york, Roger Brooke Companion to Edward Stabler, from Baltimore, & Jemimah Shotwell, from Pensylvania Yearly Meetings. ——

We appoint our friends Joseph Collins, & Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Matthew Purrington, Mary Anthony, Elizabeth Thurston, Elizabeth Smith, Sarah Fowler & Susanah Freeborn, to have the oversight of the several sittings of the Yearly meetings as it respects the members of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour in the morning of the 13th Instant to meet at Newport. ——

13 Day met by adjournment, representatives the same as in the 10 Inst. —— Lydia Smith sent satisfactory reasons for her absence. ——

The Representatives having nominated William Almy, Clerk, and Thomas Howland assistant Clerk, they are accordingly appointed for the Year ensuing. ——

The Queries and Answers thereto, from our respective Quarterly Meetings, have been read, and divers edifying remarks were made upon things as exhibited by the Answers, and as connected with the welfare of this part of the Society, which we hope will be remembered. ——

The Committee appointed at the preceding sitting report that they have attended to their appointment. —

This Meeting having been favoured with a degree of Wisdom and strength to consider of & result the business that came before us, adjourns with divine permission to meet again on this Island next year. ——

Signed on behalf of the aforesaid yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders. ——

William Almy Clk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 15th of 6th month 1816

The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings are from.

Rhode Island John Wilbur, Benjamin Buffington, David Buffum Moses Brown, Thomas Howland, Willm Almy Sarah Greene, Mary Spencer, & Hannah Dennis.

Salem. Micajah Collins, Enoch Page, John Page Hannah Collins & Lydia Dean.

Sandwich Cornelius Howland, James Tucker, Benjamin Percival, John R. Davis. Elizabeth Mitchel Ruth Davis, Elizabeth Rodman & Esther Newit.

Falmouth George Philbrook, William Cobb. Thomas Jones Desire Cobb & Phebe Cobb.

Smithfield Royal Southwick, David Smith, Hannah Holder, & Rachel Bassett.

Vassalborough. Dorothy Wing.

Dover. Richard Dame, Paul Rogers, & Abigail Dame

all present excepting George Philbrook who we are informed is prevented from attending the present sitting from Indisposition

We have the company of our friends Hugh Judge from the Yearly Meeting of Ohio. Gerard T. Hopkins & Margeret Judge from that of Baltimore. John Hallock Sally Parry, Joshua Sharpless & William Poole from that of Pennsylvania, And James Hallock, Elizabeth Coggshall, Isaac Thorn, Anna Thorn, Calvin Wait Christopher Healy) Judith Coffin, Jemima Hoag, David Harkness, Dorothy Golden, John Hull & William Hoag from the Yearly Meeting of New York.

Falmouth Quarterly Meetg report that they omitted in their acct last year. the information that the publick appearances in the Ministry of Edward Cobb & Mary Mirick were approved, and that Esther Jones had been appointed an Elder.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Barker introduced to this Meeting her prospect of making a religious visit to friends in Great Brittain & Ireland, and produced a Certificate of Unity from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, concurred with by the Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich. Both the manner in which the subject was introduced, as well as the very interesting subject matter has, we trust been tenderly and weightily considered. It appears to be the sense and judgment of this Meeting that she be sett at liberty to accomplish her said visit as the truth may open her way. Clarke Rodman, Wm Rotch jun' Elizabeth Rodman, Lydia Dean & Lydia Wekes are appointed to prepare an eſsay of Certificate suitable for the occaſion and report the ſame to a future sitting of this Meeting. We appoint William Cobb. Cornelius Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, Benjamin Hazard, Hepsibah Buffum, Elizabeth Thurston, Elizabeth Rogers & Hannah Collins to extend the neceſsary care relative to the several sittings of the yearly Meeting: and report to a future sitting. This Meeting adjourns to the 18th inst. to meet at Newport at the 7th hour in the morning

18th day met by adjournment.

The Repreſentatives propoſed Wm Almy for Clerk & Thos Howland aſsistant Clerk, which being approved they are appointed for the year ensuing accordingly.

The Queries and Answers thereto from the several Meetings have been read and the exerciſe of this Meeting hath been that friends in their respective places of abode, as well as in every place, may become increaſ-

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-ingly concerned to walk more and more worthy of the Vocation whereunto we are called.

There appearing in the answer to the 3 query from Dover an exception to that harmonious labour for Truths honour which is enquired after, and it appearing to this Meeting that an extention of care and labour might not only become the duty which this Meeting has to discharge in all such cases towards the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings but also from a hope that by timely intervention assistance may be afforded in the present interesting case. Appoint William Rotch junr Wm Almy Clarke Rodman, Obadiah Davis Benjamin Percival, Elisha Thornton & Thomas Howland a Committee to take into consideration the case or cases alluded to, or which may become developed in the course of their attention to the subject. And endeavour as their minds may be mercifully assisted to do it, to labour to discharge the duty devolving upon them by this appointment. This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour to morrow morning. 19th day met by adjournment.

The Committee appointed to prepare a certificate for our friend Elizabeth Barker presented an essay which being considered is approved and the Clk is directed to sign the same in behalf of this meeting. The Certificate is as follows. From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New England held on Rhode Island from the 15 day of 6th month to the 19th of the same inclusive 1816 To Friends in Great Brittain & Ireland

Dear friends Our beloved friend Elizabeth Barker, in a weighty manner, laid before us, a concern that hath impressed her mind to pay you a visit in Gospel love. Which having claimed our solid consideration. We feel near unity and sympathy with her therein. She being a Minister in good esteem among us, of exemplary life and deportment. And having the concurrence of the Monthly & Quarterly Meetings of which she is a member. She is left at liberty to pursue her prospect.

We feelingly recommend her to the tender regard of friends where her lott may be cast, with desires for her preservation in simple dependance on Him who putteth forth his own, and goeth before them And that when her service shall be accomplished she may be favoured to return to her family and friends with the reward of peace.

The Committee appointed to the oversight of Meetings report that they have attended to their appointment, and have no further report to make.

This Meeting having been measurably favoured in it's several sittings with the ownings of the Truth, and having finished the business which hath come before it Conclude and adjourn to meet again on this Island next year if the Lord permit.

Signed in behalf of the Meeting
Wm Almy Clk

In addition to these recorded there appears to have been added to this Meeting since last year Ministers Andrew Nichols of S. Kingstown Brownel Swift of Sandwich Experience Shearman of New Bedford. Elish Purinton of Falmouth restored to his former standing as Minister. Elders Nicholas Congdon John Page David Dow Abigail Fulsome Hannah Arnold Silas Earl Abigail Allen Mary Dean & Nicholas Jones.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 14th of 6 mo. 1817

The Representatives from the Quarterly Meetings are for

Rhode Island Thomas Howland Moses Brown Benjamin Mott John Wilbour Dan^l Brayton Dorcas Peckham, Sarah Greene & Anna Almy

Salem, No account

Sandwich Obadiah Davis, Joseph Austin James Tucker, Philip Dunham Lydia Hussey Ruth Davis Elizabeth Rodman & Elizabeth Howland.

Falmouth Edw^d Cobb & Nathan Pope

Smithfield Jesse Batty Josiah Shove, Mary B Allen Alice Rathbun & Rachel Basset

Vassalborough Moses Sleeper

Dover Paul Rogers, Ezekiel Hoyt & Elizabeth Rogers

All present excepting 5

We also have the company of our friend Mary Naftal from Great Brittain, Hannah Lewis Hannah Shinn, Hannah Evans and Jesse Kersey from the Yearly Meet^g of Pennsylvania, Stephen Grellet. Esther Griffin Isaac Thorn, Hannah G Field William Cromwell, Benjamin Mitchel & Lodowick from that of New York and Jonathan Taylor and W^m. Ladd from Ohio

This Meeting appoints Benj^n. Freeborn, Moses Sleeper Jonathan Dennis Elizabeth Rogers, Susanah Freeborn, Thomas Howland Sarah Greene Elizabeth Rodman & Benjamin Mott to take the necessary care during the sittings of this Yearly Meeting and report to a future sitting

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour on the 15th Inst to meet at Newport.

17th day met by adjournment

Representatives present excepting one

The Queries being read in this Meeting and the answers thereto from the Quarterly Meeting. A living concerns has been raised in the minds of some present that friends might improve in the particulars queried after, and labour has been bestowed by several of our brethren & Sisters present with us to forward this improvement, particularly as it respects the right improvement of Ministers in the exercise of their gifts which we hope will be blessed to our edification.

The Committee appointed last year in consequence of the 3d answer to the queries from Dover made report of their attention to their appointment from which, and the continuance of the same difficulty as appears from the present answer to the same query We appoint William Rotch Jun Thos. Rowland Micajah Collins & Wm Almy to give further attention to that case or those cases, and render such assistance and give such advice to the Select Monthly or Quarterly Meeting of Dover, as way may open for or the necessity of the case or cases require.

The Committee appointed to take the necessary care in behalf of this Meeting during the sitting of the Yearly Meeting, report they have attended to their appointment

It appears that there has been added to this Meeting since last year. Ministers Thomas Anthony of Greenwich Anna Almy of Providence Sarah M Coffin of Nantucket. Warren Gifford Dartmouth Russel Davis of New Bedford. Obadiah Gould of Windham. Benj. Fry of Sandwich N.H. Elders Gilbert Coffin of Nantucket Mary A. Robinson of S. Kingstown & Johnston Page of Weare

This Meeting having been favoured with Heavenly regard during our several sittings desire to be sensible of the favour, and adjourn to meet next year on this Island if the Lord permit

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Wm Almy Clk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 13th of 6th month 1818 The Representatives to the Meeting are

Rhode Island Richard Mitchel, John Wilbour, Joseph Buffington, William Almy, Mary Earl, Hannah Dennis, Dorcas Peckham, & Abigail Greene.

Salem. Micajah Collins, Estes Newhall, John Page, Betty Purinton, Hannah Collins & Lydia Breed.

Sandwich Obadiah Davis, James Tucker, Prince Wing Benjn Percival, Rhoda Howland, Elibeth Rodman & Elizabeth Barker.

Falmouth Noah Reed, Edwd Cobb, Nathan Pope & Mary Reed.

Smithfield Josiah Shove, Jesse Batty, Abigail Reed and Avis Keene.

Vassalborough Moses Sleeper, Joseph Sampson, Hannah Sleeper, & Hannah Sampson,

Dover Benjn Fry, Paul Rogers, Abigail Dame, and Elizabeth Rogers.

The Representatives all present excepting five. We have the company of our friends John Heald from the Yearly Meeting of Ohio, Gerard T. Hopkins from Baltimore, Elizabeth Coggshall, Henry Pitt, Stephen Rogers

Elihu Bunker & Charles Marriott from the Yearly Meeting of New York.

Were read in this Meeting very ſatisfactory certificates from the Morning Meeting held in London of Ministers and Elders the 13th of 10th mo. last year, and from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Dublin 26th of 4th mo and 2d of 5th mo of the ſame year on behalf of our friend Elizabeth Barker, who has lately returned from a religious visit to those countries.

We appoint Benjamin Freeborn, Cornelius Howland, Estes Newhall, Dane Gore, Rhoda Howland, Hannah Reep and Elizabeth Rodman to take the neceſſary care in behalf of this Meeting during the sittings of the Yearly Meeting and report to a future sitting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour on 3 day next the 16th inst. to meet at Newport.

16th day met by adjournment.

The Repreſentatives all preſent excepting four.

Wm. Almy is appointed Clerk, and Thos. Howland aſſiſtant Clerk for the year ensuing.

The Queries were read in this Meeting, and the Answers thereto from the Quarterly Meetings, and solidly attended to. The Committee appointed last year in conſequence of the report of a Committee, and the continuance of the difficulty in the Quarterly Meeting at Dover as is expreſſed in their 3d answer. report that they have attended to their appointment, and after labouring in the caſes alluded to as far as way opened, thought it their duty to state thoſe Caſes to that Select Meeting, together with what they believed to be the mind of this Meeting. Since which they have the satisfaction to inform that one of the Instances of difficulty is meaſurably removed, and the other caſe being spread before this Meeting, and the Individual being preſent, from whoſe conclusions, and diſpoſition now opened. we are encouraged to hope, that the sense of this Meeting imparted to him, and the fervent desires manifested for his recovery and preservation will be availing.

The Committee appointed at last setting, inform that they have attended to their appointment.

There has been added to this Meeting since last year the following Ministers and Elders.

This Meeting having been favoured with several settings desire to retain a gratefull sense thereof and conclude, and adjourn to meet again on this Island next year, with Divine permission

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Wm. Almy Clerk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island, in New-England the 12th of 6th mo: 1819

The Representatives from the Quarterly Meetings are.

Rhode Island. Abner Anthony, Sylvester Wickes, Andrew Nichols jun: David Buffum David Earl Mary Robinson Elizabeth Thurston, Anna Almy & Sarah Fowler,

Salem. Isaac Bassett jun: Enoch Breed, Micajah Collins, Lydia Breed Mary Newhall & Hannah Collins

Sandwich. Cornelius Howland, James Tucker, Zenos
Gardner, John Baily, Joseph Tripp, Tabitha
Gifford, Eunice Mitchel & Rhoda Howland.

Falmouth Thos Jones, Edwd Cobb. Saml F. Hussey, William
Cobb. Thankful Hussey & Phebe Cobb.

Smithfield Royal Southwick, Josiah Shove, David
Randal, Lydia Gates, Sarah Shove and
Mary B. Allen.

Vasselborough Moses Starkey & Moses Sleeper.

Dover Ezekiel Hoyt, William Brown, and
Abigail Dame. All present.

We have the company at the present
season of William Rickman from Great Brittain
Margaret Judge from the yearly Meeting of Baltimore
Elizabeth Walker, Ruth Hallock, Sarah Sutton
Danl Quimby, Sarah Hull, James Hazard and
Patience Austin from the Yearly Meeting of
New York. There have ~~been~~ added to this Meeting since
last year the following Ministers and Elders. viz
Ministers. Isaac Lawrence of Dartmouth Monthly
Meeting. Sandwich Quarter and Martha Meader
of Sandwich Monthly meeting. Dover Quarter
Elders. Amey Knowles So Kingston Mo Meeting &
Sybil Reynolds of Greenwich Rhode Island Quarter.
Bethia Ladd of Weare Mo Meety Salem Quarter
Mary Coffin & Eunice Mitchel. Nantucket. Nath. district
Grace Davis of Sandwich, Mary Rotch of New Bedford
Sandwich Quarter. Seth Kelly, of Smithfield
Patience Earl & Rachel Earl of Uxbridge, David

Randall of Richmond. Smithfield Quarter, and Joshua Jenkins of Berwick. Dover Quarter.

We appoint Cornelius Howland, Richd Mitchel, Thomas Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Sleeper Lydia Anthony, Rhoda Howland, Elizabeth Thurston Elizabeth Rodman and Hannah Collins to take the necessary care in the behalf of this Meeting during the sittings of the Yearly Meeting, and report to a future sitting

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour on 3 day next the 15th inst. to meet at Newport. 15th day met by adjournment.

The Representatives all present.

William Almy is appointed Clk. and Thomas Howland assistant Clk. for the year ensuing.

The Queries were read in this Meeting and answers thereto from the Quarterly Meetings and many pertinent and instructive remarks were made tending to impress the necessity of observing that line of conduct necessary to be observed in particular by this part of the family which we hope will be remembered to edification.

The Committee appointed at the last sitting to have the care in the behalf of this Meeting report that they have attended to their appointment.

This Meeting having been favoured to attend to the concerns of this part of the Society which have come before it in condescention and harmony and been favoured we humbly trust with the covering of Truth in our deliberations, and especially now towards the close, desire to retain a sense of the Mercy and favour, and adjourn to next year, then to meet on this Island if the Lord permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
William Almy Clk
for this year.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 10th of 6th. mo. 1820.

By accounts received from the several Quarterly Meetings the Representatives named in them are. Viz.

Rhode Island, David Buffum, Thomas Howland, Moses Brown, Daniel Brayton, John Wilbur, Elizabeth Thurston, Elizabeth Reynolds, Dorcas Peckham, Betsy Purinton and Eunice Brayton.

Salem, - - - Micajah Collins, Estes Newhall, Enoch Breed, Isaac Basset Junr., Lydia Breed, Hannah Collins and Avis Keen.

Sandwich, - - Abial Aikin, Robert Brayton, Joseph Tripp, Cornelius Howland, Tabitha Gifford, Ruth Davis, and Elizabeth Rodman.

Falmouth - - - Stephen Jones and Ruben Brackett.

Smithfield,... Seth Kelley, Josiah Shove, Jesse Batty, Sarah Shove and
Mary Batty.

Vassalborough,... Moses Starkey.

Dover,..... Benjamin Fry, Richard Dame and Abigail Dame.

Who were all present except four.

Micajah Collins is appointed Clerk, and Rowland Greene assistant Clerk for the ensuing year.

At this Meeting we had the acceptable company of Charles Osborn, from the Yearly Meeting of Ohio, - Daniel Haviland, Caleb McComber, Eleazer Haviland, Esther McComber, Nicholas Brown and Jacob Cronk (of Canada) from New York Yearly Meeting, with certificates, which were read from their respective Monthly Meetings, of which they are members.

It appears by the accounts, that, Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, have united with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elizabeth Reynolds, with Swanzey Monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Hannah Earle 2nd, and with South Kingston Monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Lydia Wilbur to the station of Elders. - Sandwich Quarterly Meeting have also united with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elizabeth Swift (wife of Brownell Swift), Salem Quarter with Weare Monthly Meeting, in the appointment of Thomas Davis, Falmouth Quarterly Meeting with Windham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Charles Cartland, and Dover Quarter in the appointment of John Brown and Mary T. Brown to the same stations.

Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Josiah Shove, Sylvester Wicks, Cornelius Howland, Hannah Collins, Eunice Brayton, Elizabeth Thurston and Susanna Freeborn, were appointed to take the usual care during the several sittings of the ensuing Yearly Meeting, and make report to a future sitting of this Meeting.

Then adjourned to Meet at Newport at the 8th hour in the Morning, on third day the 13th. instant.

13th. day Met according to adjournment.

Representatives present as before, except two, prevented by indisposition.

The Queries were read, with the respective answers from the several Quarterly Meetings constituting this, in the consideration of which the minds of many friends were brought under a weight of exercise.

The Committee appointed at our last sitting to take the usual Care during the sittings of the Yearly Meeting, reported attention to their appointment: And have nothing to remark at this time.

Having transacted the business that has been before us, under a sense of divine favour, by which we believe the good hand of our Heavenly Father has been with us at this season, ~~in which~~ we conclude, purposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next Year.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Micajah Collins Clerk
this Year.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth, on Rhode Island, for New Englan the 9th. of 6th. month 1821.

Accounts being presented from the several Quarterly Meetings except Rhode Island, the representatives by appointment were,

For Salem, Isaac Bassett Junr.; Estes Newhall, Micajah Collins, Enoch Page, Avis Keen, Hannah Collins and Mary Newhall.

For Sandwich, Daniel Bowerman, Cornelius Howland, Benjamin Percival, Isaac Lawrance; Tabitha Gifford, Elizabeth Mitchell and Rhoda Howland.

Falmouth, Stephen Jones, William Cobb and Phebe Cobb.

For Smithfield, Seth Kelley, Josiah Shove, Alice Rathbun and Sarah Shove.

For Vassalborough, Moses Sleeper and Hannah Sleeper.

For Dover, Richard Dame, Benjamin Fry, John Brown and Abigail Dame,

Who were all present except one, for whose absence, a satisfactory reason was given.

Richard Mitchell, Benjamin Freeborn, Cornelius Howland, Daniel Gove, Seth Kelley, Elihu Bowen, Sarah Fowler, Elizabeth Thurston, Hannah Collins, Rachel Bassett, and Elizabeth Mitchell, were appointed to take the usual care assigned to such a committee, during the several sittings of the ensuing Yearly Meeting; and make report to a future sitting of this Meeting.

At this Meeting, we had the acceptable company of our beloved friends Stephen Grellet, Hannah Field and Patience Haviland from New York Yearly Meeting; - and Elizabeth Allinso from Pennsylvania Yearly Meeting, who presented copies of minutes from their respective Monthly Meetings, uniting with their several concerns to make us a religious visit at this time.

Then adjourned, to meet at Newport at the 8th hour on third morning next.

12th. day, met by adjournment.

An account was received from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders; their representatives were, David Buffum, Sylvester Wicks, Jonathan Dennis, William Almy, Moses Brown, Andrew Nichols junr., Daniel Brayton, Mary A. Robinson, Sarah Fowler, Lydia A. Wicks, Elizabeth Reynolds, Hannah Earle and Betsy Purinton, - who were all present.

The representatives nominated Micajah Collins for Clerk, and Rowland Greene for assistant, who were approved, and accordingly appointed for that service the ensuing year.

By a selection from the accounts brought up to our Yearly Meeting, by the Quarterly Meetings it appears that, Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting have united with Swanzey Monthly Meeting in the recommendation of Mary Buffington, - and Dover Quarterly Meeting with Dover Monthly Meeting in the recommendation of Jane Hussey to the place of Ministers. And that, Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting have united with South Kingston Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Othniel Foster and Sarah Collins junr., to the station of Elders, - Sandwich Quarterly Meeting have united with Sandwich Monthly

Meeting in the appointment of Mary Akin, - Falmouth Quarterly Meeting have united with Durham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Robert Pope, Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting with Sydney Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Allen Wing, - with Harlem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Lemuel Hawkes and Clement Ratcliff, - and that Dover Monthly Meeting have united with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Lydia Fry to the last named station.

The queries, together with answers thereto, from the several Meetings constituting this Yearly Meeting, were read, exhibiting sorrowful deffects in various particulars therein queried after; - the consideration of which has drawn forth appropriate and weighty remarks from the exercised minds of divers brethren and sisters, tending to instruction and edification.

Then adjourned to the 8th. hour tomorrow morning.

13th. day met by adjournment.

Our minds having been weightily impressed with a sense of the deficiencies manifested by the reports from the Quarterly Meetings; and particularly with what has appeared in the answers to the queries from Salem, concerning the Ministry, and the want of that love which alone can qualify to harmonize together as the disciples of the one Lord; and having solidly deliberated on the subject, do appoint, John Bailey, Rowland Greene, Obadiah Davis, Royal Southwick, Jonathan Dennis, Sylvester Wicks, Benjamin Freeborn, Thomas Howland, John Brown, Moses Sleeper, Hannah Dennis, Lydia A. Wicks, Judith Coffin, Rhoda Howland, Phebe Cobb, Anna Almy, and Mary B. Allen to visit the Select Quarterly and Monthly Meetings of Salem, and such other Select Meetings in that Quarter as they may think best, on that account, and proceed as way may open in the wisdom of truth, for a reconciliation, and report to this meeting next year.

The Committee, appointed at our first sitting to take the usual and necessary care of the Meetings during the continuan of this Yearly Meeting, report attention to their appointment, and have nothing specially to observe.

The Meeting having transacted the business that come before it, under an impressive sense of the weight of its importance, - under the influence of which sense, the concerns have been brought to a close, - we now conclude, purpurposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Micajah Collins Clerk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 15th. of 6th. Month 1822.

By accounts presented from the several Quarterly Meetings it appears, the representatives by appointment are viz.

For Rhode Island, David Buffum, Moses Brown, William Almy, Daniel Brayton, Daniel Howland, Andrew Nichols, Elizabeth Reynolds, Dorcas Peckham and Hannah Dennis.

For Salem, Micajah Collins, John Page, Enoch Page, David Dow, Lydia Breed, Hannah Collins and Mary Chase.

For Sandwich, Benjamin Percival, Cornelius Howland, Joseph Tripp, Peleg Mitchell, Ruth Davis, Rhoda Howland and Elizabeth Barker.

For Falmouth, Thomas Jones, Noah Read, Edward Cobb, Phebe Cobb Junr., Mary Read and Thankful Hussey.

For Smithfield, Jesse Batty, Royal Southwick, Mary Batty and Sarah Shove.

For Vassalborough, John Warren, Moses Sleeper, Lemuel Hawkes, Hannah Sleeper and Eunice Ramsdell.

For Dover, Benjamin Fry, John Brown, Mary F. Brown and Lydia Fry.

Who were all present.

We have had, at this time, the acceptable company of our beloved Friends George Withy from Frenchay Monthly Meeting, Great Britain, — Cristopher Healy with his companion Moses Comfort from Pennsylvania, — Adna Heaton, Tristam Russell, Timothy Chase, Phebe Field, Mary Slocum, Hannah Gove, Ruth Spencer with her Husband Nathan Spencer and Henry Knowles from the State of New York, — and Hannah L. Smith from Burlington New Jersey, who severally produced certificates expressive of unity with them in their present engagements, from their respective Monthly Meetings, which were read to satisfaction.

Moses Sleeper, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Peleg Mitchell, Thomas Howland, Josiah Shove Mary Spencer, Elizabeth Smith, Rhoda Howland and Elizabeth Mitchell were appointed to take the usual Care of Meetings during the several settings of this Yearly Meeting and to make report to a future setting of this Meeting.

Adjourned to meet at Newport on third day the 18th. instant, at the 8th hour in the Morning.

18th. day, met by adjournment.

By the accounts from the Quarterly Meetings to.i.- to the Yearly Meeting, it appears, that, Sandwich Quarterly Meeting have united with Nantucket Monthly Meeting in approving the public appearance in the Ministry of Judith Jones Junr., - And that Smithfield Quarterly Meeting have united with Uxbridge Monthly Meeting in approving the public appearance in the Ministry of Daniel Clapp. - - - Also that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting have united wit Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Hannah Gould Junr. - Salem Quarterly Meeting with Seabrook Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ezekiel Jones, - Sandwich Quarterly Meeting with Sandwich Monthly Mee ing in the appointment of Seth Kelley, - with Nantuckett Mont ly Meeting in the appointment of Hezekiah Swaine, - with Nantuckett Monthly Meeting for the Northern District in the appointment of Jonathan Swain and Susanna Gardner, - Smithfield Quarterly Meeting with Smithfield Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Stephen Shearman, - And Dover Quarterly Meeting with Berwick Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Joshua Meeder and Phebe Meeder to the Stations of Elders: - And that Salem Quarterly Meeting have united with Salem Monthly Meeting in disapproving the public appearance in the Ministry, of Mary Newhall.

The representatives have nominated Micajah Collins for Clerk and Rowland Greene for assistant Clerk, and they being approved, were appointed for that service for the year ensuing.

The Queries, with answers thereto from the several Quarterly Meetings were read, which gave rise to feeling and instructive remarks, from exercised brethren and sisters among us at this time.

The Committee appointed last year to visit Salem Quarterly and Preparative Meetings of Ministers and Elders on account of existing difficulties among them, and to labour for the restoration of harmony among the members of those Meetings, made the following report: Viz.

Lynn 8th. Mo 17th. 1821.

"To the next Select Yearly Meeting of Friends to be holden on Rhode Island for New England.

We of the Committee, appointed to visit Salem Select Quarterly meetg and other Meetings belonging to that Quarterly Meeting as way might open for, have attended to the appointment; and have visited the Select Preparative and Quarterly Meetings of Salem, and had several opportunities of Conference with members of said Preparative Meeting, on account of an unsound Ministry and want of unity; and have endeavoured impartially to investigate the ground of the disunity and have unitedly laboured, in the ability graciously afforded, to remove the root of the difficulty, with a hope that a reconciliation may take place: and that love and harmony, which are so essential to a successful labouring together in the Church of Christ, may be again happily witnessed among them. And have, in the freedom of Truth, given such advice as has appeared to us suitable to that desirable object.

Royal Southwick John Bailey
Benjamin Freeborn Jonathan Dennis Moses Sleeper
Rowland Greene John Brown Obadiah Davis
Judith Coffin. Lydia A Wickes Hannah Dennis
Sylvester Wickes Mary B. Allen

which is accepted.

And it appearing by the accounts brought up from the Quarterly Meetings at this time, that difficulties and defects do yet exist in different parts of the Yearly Meeting, which claiming the solid attention of the Meeting, Moses Sleeper, Rowland Greene, Thomas Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, James Tucker, Royal Southwick, Sylvester Wickes, John Brown, Edward Cobb, John Wilbur, Samuel F. Hussey, Ruth Davis, Mary B. Allen, Alice Rathbun, Rhoda Howland, Elizabeth Barker, Mary Collins, Lydia Breed and Hannah Sleeper, were appointed to visit such branches constituting this Meeting and such individual members thereof, as may appear to them best; and afford such advice and assistance, as in the Truth they may find their way open for, and make report of their services, and the state they may find things in, relative to such meetings and individuals, next year.

Adjourned to the eighth hour tomorrow morning.

19th. day, met by adjournment.

One of the Committee appointed at our first sitting, to have the care of Meetings during the course of this Yearly Meeting, made report, that, they had attended to their appointment, and that they had no special remark to make.

Having conducted the business that was brought before us in a weighty sense of its importance, and of our responsibility; under an impression of solemnity we close, purposing, by divine permission, to meet again on this Island, next year, at the usual time.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Micajah Collins Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 14th of 6th mo. 1823.—

By the accounts presented it appears that the representives by appointment from the several Quarterly Meetings are, viz.

For Rhode-Island, David Buffum, Thomas Howland, Stephen Gould, William Almy, Andrew Nichols, David Earle, Hannah Dennis, Sarah Greene, Dorcas Peckham, Hannah Earle, and Betsey Purington.—

For Salem, Daniel Gove, Thomas Davis, Isaac Bassett Jr. Hannah Collins, Lydia Breed, and Avis Keene.—

For Sandwich, James Tucker, Isaac Lawrence Russel Davis, Sarah Tucker, and Susanna Gardner.—

For Falmouth; Noah Read, Thomas Jones, and Edward Cobb.—

For Smithfield, Seth Kelley, Royal Southwick, Alice Rathbun and Rachael Earle.—

For Vassalborough, Moses Sleeper, and Hannah Sleeper,

For Dover, Joshua Meader, Benjamin Fry, Richard Dame, Abigail Dame, and Phebe Meader, who are all present except three.—

1823.

We have had the acceptable company of our belove friends John Mann, of Pennsylvania, Henry Hu Hannah G. Field, James Hazzard, from the State of New York, and John$^{d}$. Wells from Connecticut, with Certificates of Unity with them in their present engagements, from their respective Monthly Meetin which ~~were~~ read to our satisfaction.—

We appoint our friends, Richard Mitchell, Othaniel Foster, James Tucker, Hezekiah Swaine, Noah Read, Benjamin Freeborn, Elizabeth Rogers Hannah Sleeper, Sarah Greene, Hannah Gould, an Rachael Earle, to take the usual care of Meetings during the several settings of this Yearly Meeting who are requested to make report at a future setting of the Meeting.—

This meeting is informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Greenwich Month Meeting in the appointment of Susanna Greene t the station of an Elder.—

Adjourned to meet at Newport, on third day, the 17th Inst. at the 8th hour in the morning.—

Seventeenth, met by Adjournment.—

The Representatives having nominated Rowland Greene for Clerk, and Stephen Gould for assistant, is approved, and they a accordingly appointed for that service for the year ensuing.—

The Queries with answers thereto from our several Quarterly Meetings were read, by which it appears that difficulties do still exist, and that love and Unity in several instances are much wanting, on which account a tender Concern was felt for the Prosperity of the Cause of Truth, giving rise to sundry instructive remarks tending to excite to diligence, care and watchfulness in those respects.—

The Committee of last year, who were appointed on the then existing defects in several branches of this Meeting made the following Report, viz.

To the Select Yearly Meeting to be holden to day at this place.—

Dear Friends,

Notwithstanding our minds have been much excercised on the subject of our appointment, and several conferences among ourselves have been had, and some care extended, way has not been open for much personal attention to those branches of this meeting where a want of Unity has been manifest; and where we have much reason to believe this want of harmony and true fellowship is not removed, but such are the defects & difficulties that do still exist, that they call for the further advice and assistance of this Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee by
John Wilbur
Alice Rathbun. —

Newport. 6th mo. 17th 1823. —

Which is accepted and the same friends, with the exception of Sylvester Wick deceased, are requested to continue their care in affording their advice, and in visiting such branches of this meeting as in their judgement may be proper and way may open for, and make report of their services, and of the state of things to this meeting next year.

The Committee appointed at a former sitting of this meeting to have the oversight of Meetings, made report tha they attended to their appointment, but had nothing further to remark.—

Having been favoured to conduct the business that was brought before us in much unanimity, under a weighty sense of the importance of the concerns of the Society; and under a grateful feeling of the extension, in degree, of the overshaddowing goodness of Israel's Shepherd, to us at this time, we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island next year at the usual time.— Signed on behalf of the Meeting by

Rowland Greene, Clk.

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1824. At a Meeting of Ministers and Elders Began at Portsmouth for New-England the 12th of the 6th mo. 1824.—

By the accounts presented from the several quarterly Meetings it appears that the Representatives are,

For Rhode Island, David Buffum, Nicholas Congdon, Elihu Bowen, Jos. Buffington, John Wilbur, Ruth Freeborn, Mary Spencer, Mary Collins, and Hannah Earle.

For Salem, Thomas Davis, Estes Newhall, John Page, Isaac Basset Jr. Mary Chase and Avis

1824. Keene,
For Sandwich, Seth Kelley, James Tucker, Zenas Gardner, John K. Davis, Susanna Gardne Ruth Davis, Grace Davis, and Sarah Wood.—
For Falmouth,
Noah Reed, Stephen Jones, & Mary Reed.—
For Smithfield,
Josiah Shove, Moses Farnum, Seth Kelley, Sarah Shove, Mary B. Allen & Rachel Basset.—
For Vassalborough,
Moses Sleeper, and Hannah Sleeper.—
For Dover,
Benjamin Fry, Richard Dame, Mary T. Brown, and Abigail Dame.— Who are all present except four, three of whom, we ar informed, are prevented from attending by indisposition of Body.—

We have had at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friends Isaac Stephenson, and William Forster Jr. from Great Britain, William Jackson and William Evans, from Pensylvania, and Sarah Collins from New York, whose certificat such as were present, were read to our satisfa-tion.—

We appoint our friends, Thomas Howland, Richard Mitchell, Benjamin Mott, Moses Sleeper, James Tucker, Abiel Akin, Elizabeth Reynolds, Susanne Gardn Hannah Sleeper, Elizabeth Rogers and

824. Rachel Basset, to take the usual care of Meetings during the several settings of this Yearly Meeting and report at a future setting of this meeting.—

This Meeting is informed by the account from Vassalborough that they have united with Harlem monthly meeting in the appointment of Hepsabah Ratclif to the station of an Elder, and with Leeds in the appointment of Betsey Baily to the same station.—

We are also informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with New Bedford monthly meeting in dismissing Elizabeth Rodman and Mary Rotch from the Station of Elders.—

Adjourned to meet at Newport, on third day the 15th Inst, at 8 o'clock in the morning.—

15th Met by adjournment.

The representatives all present as at our last meeting.—

The representatives propose Rowland Greene for Clerk and Stephen Gould assistent Clerk, which is united with and they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The queries and answers from the several Branches of this Meeting having been read and the State of this part of Society entered into, it is found that difficulties do still exist; and in some instances a neglect of the due attendance of our religious meetings, and a want of unity are apparent, which gave rise to many pertinent and acceptable remarks, calculated to excite our minds to a deep endwelling and drawing near to the source of divine wisdom and strength, whereby a

1824. qualification may be witnessed to labour successfully for the removal of these things.—

The committee of last year who were requested to extend ~~to extend~~ their care and advice for the restoration and promotion of harmony made the following report which is accepted.* — And in order to afford every suitable aid in the accomplishment of an object so desirable, we appoint our friends Moses Brown, Moses Sleeper, Hannah Sleeper Rowland Greene, Thomas Howland, Zenas Gardne Obadiah Davis, William Almy, Richard Dame Thomas Anthony, Edward Cobb, Alice Rathbun, Avis Keene, Benjamin Freeborn, Mary B. Allen, Mary A. Robinson, John Wilbur, Ruth Freeborn, Sarah Tucker, Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Barker, Deborah Otis, Ruth Davis, Stephen Jones, and David Buffum, to that service who are requeste to pay such attention to the object of their appointment, as way in the Truth, may open for, and labour therein as qualification may be afforded in the meekness of wisdom for the restoration and preservation of harmony of love and of true and living faith, and report to this meeting next year.—

The committee appointed at our last Meeting to have the oversight of meetin report that they have attended to that service and so far as way had opened for had administe advice, but had nothing special to remark.—

1824. Having been favoured to deliberate upon the concerns which have come before us, and to dispose of them in a good degree of satisfaction with feelings of brotherly love and condescension, under a grateful sense whereof, as proceeding from the continued regard of our heavenly Father we conclude proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next Year. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Rowland Greene Clk

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* To the select Yearly Meeting of Friends to be held tomorrow at this place. —

Dear Friends,

We have attended to our appointment, and laboured therein as way opened for, but are sensible that difficulties, and a want of harmony do still remain. — Signed on behalf of the Committee by — Royal Southwick

Mary B. Allen.

Newport, 6th mo. 1824.

1825.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New=England, the 11th of 6th mo. 1825. —

By accounts from our sever quarterly Meetings the Representives therein nam are, For Rhode Island, David Buffum, Moses Brown, Thomas Howland, David Earle, Andre Nichols, Sarah Greene, Mary Spencer, Mary Collin Hannah Earle and Betsey Purinton.

Salem, Daniel Gove, John Page, David Dow, Isaac Bassett Jr. Avis Keen. Elizabeth Breed, Lydia Page and Cornelia Page. —

Sandwich. Samuel Macy, John R. Davis, Francis Taber, Joseph Tripp, Sarah Tucker Elizabeth Howland, Mary Card, and Esther Newth.

Falmouth. Edward Cobb, Thomas Jones, Reuben Brackett, Phebe Cobb Jr. and Mary Pope. —

Smithfield, Jonathan Fry, Jesse Battey, Alice Rathbun and Elizabeth Smith. —

Vassalborough. Moses Sleeper and Jeremiah Hacker. —

Dover. Joshua Meader, Benjamin Fry and Phebe Meader. — All present except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were assigned.

We have had at this time the company of our beloved friends, George Hatten, from Indiana James Hazzard, from the state of N. York.

25. Huldah Hoag, Abigail Hoag, and Joanna Buffinton from Vermont. Abigail Barker, and Mary Allerson from New-Jersey with certificates of concurrence from their respective Meetings, which were read to our satisfaction.—

We appoint our friends Thomas Howland, Richard Mitchell, Francis Taber, Moses Sleeper Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Brown, Rhoda Howla Elizabeth Mitchell Susanna Hathaway, Elizabeth Smith, to take the oversight of Meetings during the settings of this yearly Meeting and report at a future setting of the Meeting.—

We are informed by R.I. Quarterly Meeting that it has united with R.I. mo. meeting in approving the publick ministry of Abigail Shearman, and with Greenwich in ~~with~~ the appointment of Perez Peck Jr. to the place of an Elder.

By Sandwich Q. Meeting, that it has united with Westport mo. meeting in approving the publick ministry of Anna Macomber— with Sandwich M. Meeting in the appointment of Meltiah Gifford, and with Newbedfo in the appointment of Abraham Shearman Jr to the place of Elders— also with Dartmouth M.M. in disapproving the publick ministry of Philip Dunham.—

By Falmouth Q. Meeting that it has united with Durham M.M. in the appointment of Mary Pope to the place of an Elder.—

By Smithfield Q.M. that it has united with Smithfield M.M. in the appointment of Rowland

1825. Rathbun to the place of an Elder. —

By Vassalborough Q. Meeting, that it has united with China M. M. in approving the publick ministry of Anna Rogers, and in the appointment of Stephen Jones and Sarah Winslow as Elders and with Vassalborough M. M. in the appointm of Mary Foster to the same station. —

By Dover Q. Meeting, that it has united with Sandwich M. M. in approving the publick ministry of John Meader, and with Berwick in the appointment of Sibil Jenkins to the place of an Elder. —

Adjourned to meet at Newport the 14th Inst. at 8 o'clock in the morning.

14th Inst. Met by adjournment

The Representatives all Present. —

Rowland Greene being proposed by the Representatives as Clerk, and Stephen Gould for assistant Clerk, is united with by this Meeting and they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year. —

The queries and corresponding answers from the several Quarterly Meetings hereunto belonging have been read in this meeting, by which it appears that our various testimonies are in a pretty good degree maintained with a few sorrowful exceptions, whic are under care. —

The Committee of last year who were appointe to labour for the removal of the existing difficulties made the following Report. — viz —

To the select Yearly Meeting to be holden tomorrow at this place. —

Dear Friends,

The object of our appointment has been attended to as way has opened for it, and some labour, we hope has been usefully bestowed; however, it appears still evident that the cause of complaint, in no small degree ~~still~~ yet remains, and it is our judgement that the further sympathy and care of this meeting is in several instances called for, which we submit to the consideration of the Meeting. — Signed on behalf of the Committee

by — Moses Sleeper,
Elizabeth Barker.

Newport 13th of 6th mo. 1825.

Which is accepted; and entering renewedly into a consideration of the existing difficulties with desires that they may be removed — and harmony and love restored among our members, are united in the conclusion to continue the same committee for that service as last year. — who are requested to pay still further attention to the object of their appointment labouring therein in the meekness of wisdom, as truth shall open the way, and report to this meeting next year. —

The Committee appointed at our last sitting to

1825. have the oversight of meetings, report that they hav attended to that service but have nothing further to remark.—

Having been favoured to transact the Concerns which have come before us in harmony and love, under a renewed sense of the extended overshadowing regard of our heavenly Father, thro Jesus Christ, our holy Shepherd, under a grateful feeling whereof we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island next year, if He Permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
by Rowland Greene, Clk.

1826. At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 10th of 6th 1826.—

The Accounts from the several quarterly Meetings being presented the Representatives therein named are, for

hode-Island, David Buffum, William Almy
Rowland Green, Abel Collins, Daniel Brayt
Hannah Dennis, Mary A. Robinson Lydia Breed
and Mary Spencer.—
alem - Estes Newall, Thomas Davis Isaac Bassett Jr
Elizabeth Rogers, Alice Chase & Ruth Basset.—
andwich, Abial Akins, Cornelius Howland, Hezekiah
Swain, Rhoda Howland, Anna Macumber, & Mary Akins
Falmouth, Edward Cobb and Robert Page.—
mithfield, Josiah Shove, Royal Southwick, Jona Fry.
Mary B. Allen, Sarah Shove and Rachel Earle.
assalborough. John Warren, Moses Sleeper.—
Dover - Joshua Meader, Richard Dame Phebe Meader,
and Abigail Dame.— all present, except three, for the absence of two of whom satisfactory reasons were assigned.—

We have had at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friends Elizabeth Robson, and Anna Braithwaite from Great-Britian, Elisha Bates, from Ohio, Amos Peaslee, from New Jersey, Azariah Howland & Deborah Howlan from the State of New York, and Ruth Ely, companion to our friend Elizabeth Robson from Pennsylvania

1826. whose certificates of concurrence with them in their present religious engagements from their respecti Meetings have been read to our satisfaction. —

We appoint our friends Moses Brown, Moses Sleeper, Benjamin Freeborn, Cornelius Howland, Josiah Shove, Susanna Gardner, Hannah Collins, Elizabeth Rogers, Phebe Meader and Rhoda Howland to take the usual care of the Meetings during the several sittings of this Yearly Meeting and report to a future sitting.

Adjourned to meet at Newport the 13th Inst. at 8 o'clock in the morning. —

13th Met by adjournment.
Representatives all present except two. —

Rowland Greene being proposed by the Representatives as Clerk, and Stephen Gould assistant Clerk, is united with by this Meeting and they are re-appointed to that service for the year ensuing. —

We are informed by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting that it has united with Rhode Island mo. mg in the appointment of Waite Lawton, and with Greenw in the appointment of Anna Anthony, with South-Kingston mo mg in the appt of Hannah Knowles to the place of Elders. —

By Salem, that it has united with Weare Mo. Meeting in the appointment of John Sawyer Hannah Page, and Unice Sawyer to the place of Elders. —

By Sandwich, that it has united with Westport Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of

1826. Elizabeth Tripp; and with Sandwich Mo. Mg in appointment of Prince Gifford Jr to the place of an Elder. —

By Smithfield, that it has united with Bolton Mo. Mg in the appointment of James N. Fry, to the same station. —

And by Vassalborough, that it has united with China Mo. Mg in approving the public ministry of Hannah Bartlett and Elizabeth Lincoln. — and with Sidney Mo. Mg in the appointment of Adam Wing, Ester Wing, and Lydia Purington to the place of Elders. —

The queries and corresponding answers from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging have been read at this time — which lead to the feeling communication of sundry pertinent remarks particularly respecting the right government of our houses and the frequent reading of the Scriptures in a collective capacity in our families — also setting forth the great necessity of waiting for divine ability inorder to minister in the demonstration of the spirit and with power, which we desire may renewedly find place in our hearts and tend to our advancement in those christian duties. —

It appearing by the answers to the queries that difficulties do still, in some measure, exist, and the Committee of last year having made the following report, to wit,

To the select Yearly Meeting to be held tomorrow at this place. The Committee for the restoration of more perfect harmony and love in this part of the Society have attended to their appointment as way has presented for it, and tho' it has not appear expedient to attempt much in a collective capacity several of the Committee have united at sundry times in visiting some of the branches of this meeting and we trust, some usefulness has resulted from their labours; but upon conferring together at this time relative to the object of our appointment, we are united in reporting that in our judgement, the continued sympathy and aid of this meeting is desirable, in several instances which is submitted to the consideration of the meeting. - Signed on behalf of the Committee

By Rowland Greene
Mary B. Allen. -

we are therefore united in continuing the same Committee for that service, who are requested to pay such attention thereto as way opens for, and report to this meeting next year. —

The Committee appointed to the oversight of meetings report that they have attended to that service, but have nothing further to remark

Having transacted the business which has come before us in unanimity and love, under a grateful feeling of the precious superintendancy of our heavenly Father, thro Jesus Christ our Lord, we propose to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year, if the Lord permits. — Signed on behalf of the Mg by Rowland Greene, C

1827.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 9th of 6th mo. 1827.—

Accounts from the several quarterly Meetings being presented the representatives therein named, are

For Rhode Island, William Almy, Daniel Howland, John Wilbur, Benjn Buffington, Mary Spencer, Betsey Purington, Mary A. Robinson, and Mary A. Collins.—

For Salem, Thomas Davis, Isaac Bassett Jr Ruth Bassett, Alice Chase, and Avis Keene.—

For Sandwich, Seth Kelley, Francis Taber John R. Davis, Zenas Gardner, Susanna Gardner, Elizabeth Tripp, Elizabeth Mitchell, and Mary Card.—

For Falmouth, Edward Cobb, Stephen Jones, Thankful Hussey, and Phebe Cobb—

For Smithfield, Rowland Rathburn, Jesse Battey, Royal Southwick, Jonathan Fry, Patience Earle, Elizabeth Smith, Alice Rathburn, and Mary Battey.—

For Vassalborough, Moses Sleeper, Ebenezer Pope and Hannah Gifford.—

For Dover, Joshua Meader, Joshua Jenkins Phebe Meader, and Sibel Jenkins.— All present, except 3, for the absence of two of whom satisfactory reasons were assigned.—

1827.

We have at this time the acceptable company of ou friends, Thomas Shillitoe, George and Ann Jones, Anna Braithwaite and Isaac Braithwaite from Great Britian, Samuel Parsons, Elizabeth Coggshell Sarah M. Upton, and Phila Griffin from the state of New York, Wm. F. Miller from New Jersey, Cathari Morris from Philadelphia; Valentine Meader and Joanna Meader, from Vermont whose respective certificates of concurrence with them in their several engagements have been read to our satisfaction.—

We appoint our friends Moses Brown, Benjn Freeborn, Thos Howland, Moses Sleeper, Elizabeth Smith, Rhoda Howland, Ruth Basset, Susanna Gardner, and Hannah Arnold to have the oversight of the several settings of this Yearly Meeting and report at a future setting.—

Adjourned to meet at Newport the 12t Inst at 8 o'clock in the morning.—

Third day morning, the 12t. met by adjournment.—

The Representatives having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk and Stephen Gould for assistent Clerk for the year ensueing, which this meeting uniting with they are accordingly appointed to that service.—

The Representatives present as at our last meeting.

The queries and answers have been read in this meeting, disclosing the state of this part of the Society— where upon many appropriate;

827. feeling remarks were made, tending to quicken the understanding of the mind in the fear of the Lord; and to excite in us greater degrees of dedication in the service of the blessed Redeemer, the Great Head of the church.—

We are informed by Rhode Island quarterly meeting that it has united with their respective monthly meetings in the appointment to the station of Elders, of Joseph Metcalf, and Lydia C. Smith of Providence; Hannah Almy, of Rhode Island; Ethan Foster, of So. Kingston, and Phebe Congdon of Greenwich and with Rhode Island mo. meeting in approving the public ministry of Mary Hicks.—

By Sandwich, that it has united with their respective monthly meetings in approving the public ministry of George Mitchell, of Nantucket, William Gifford, and Joshua Swift of Sandwich, and Sarah Davis, of New-Bedford: with Nantucket northern District Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Rachel Swain, and with N. Bedford in the appointment of Elizabeth Rotch, to the stations of Elders; and with the latter Mo. Meeting in disapproving the public ministry of Experience Sherman.

By Vassalborough, that it has united with Vassalborough Mo. Mg. in the appointment of Paul Taber, and Ebenezer Pope, to the station of Elders; and in approving the publick ministry of Hannah Gifford and Abigail Nichols— with China mo. meeting in the appointment of Robert Hanson, Sophia Jones, and Rachel Jones to the station of Elders; with Sidney mo. meeting in approving the publick ministry of Samuel Taylor,

1827. and with Leeds, in the appointment of Noah Farr, to the place of an Elder.—

The Committee on the subject of difficulties and a want of harmony among some of our members made the following report, : to wit,

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders to be held tomorrow at this place.—

Dear Friends, The Committee on the subject of difficulties and a want of harmony in this department of our Society, report, that attention has been given to the object of their appointment from time to time, by a number of the Committee, that ~~most of~~ most of the meetings and some individuals where those trials have existed, have been visited, and we are encouraged to believe that these difficulties are, in some measure removed, and that the state of things, in these respects, is becoming more consistent with our high profession.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee, by

Rowland Greene.

Mary B. Allen.—

Newport, 6$^{t}$ mo. 11. 1827—

Which is accepted and they released from their appointment.—

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Forth day morning, the 13$^{t}$ met by adjournment.—

The Representatives present as yesterday except one.—

Having been favoured, renewedly to feel, at this sitting, the solemnizing covering of

827. Truth, under which many feeling & pertinent remarks were made, touching our christian duties, particularly watchfulness, and faithfulness in the service of our divine Master, and reading the holy Scriptures collectively in our families, which we desire may be usefully retained in our minds, we adjourn to meet tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

Fifth day morning 14th met by adjournment.

The representatives all present as yesterday except one.

Being introduced into a feeling consideration of the state of things, in this part of the society, with much solicitude, that the members of this meeting, and friends generally, may be preserved on the ground of sound gospell principles, in true faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and thus led into purity, and that consistency of conduct, which is called for at the hands of the servants of the Lord; and it appearing at this time that usefulness, in those respects, might be be derived from the appointment of a Committee to visit the subordinate meetings, and individuals, as way may open for, and to watch over our members for good, in the love of the Gospell, we appoint David Buffum, Moses Brown, Moses Sleeper, William Almy, John Wilbur, Rowland Greene, Geo. Mitchell Edward Cobb, — Mary B. Allen, Elizabeth Wing, Mary Collins, Elizabeth Barker, Abigail Robinson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Elizabeth Meader, and Alice Rathburn, to that service, who are requested to report to this Meeting next year.

1827. The Committee appointed to the oversight of meet
report, that they have attended to their appointm
but have nothing further to remark. —

The business of this meeting being clos
we conclude, with feelings of thankfulness to our
heavenly Father in that he has been pleased
mercifully to evince, at these several sittings
his tender regard to his Church militant, by the
overshaddowing of his love, and by the aid of hi
holy spirit, proposing to meet again on this
Island, at the usual time, next year if the Lord
permit. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting, by

Rowland Greene, Clerk —

28. At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island, for New England, the 14th of 6th mo. 1828.—

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being presented, the Representatives there named are

For Rhode Island, David Buffum, Daniel Howland, Abel Collins, William Almy, Benjamin Buffington, Elizabeth Reynolds, Anna A. Jenkins Susanna Hathaway, Anna Shove, and Mary A. Robinson.—

For Salem, Thomas Davis John Page Daniel Johnston, Hannah Collins Mary Chace and Avis Keene.—

For Sandwich, Abraham Shearman Jr. Mathias Gifford, Joseph Tripp Anna McComber, Mary Card, Sarah Tucker, and Mary Akins

For Falmouth, Noah Read, Stephen Jones, Samuel F. Hussey, and Mary Read.—

For Smithfield, Royal Southwick, Moses Farnum, Rachel Earle, and Lydia Gates.—

For Vassalborough, Moses Sleeper.—

For Dover, Joshua Meader, Joshua Jenkins, Phebe Meader, and Sibel Jenkins.—

All present except 4, for whose Absence satisfactory reasons were assigned—

We have had at this time, the acceptable company of our friends Elizabeth Robson. Isaac and Anna Braithwaite from Great Britian, Jonathan Taylor, from Ohio,

1828. Hannah Hartshorne from New Jersey, and Mary Atkinson also from that State, companions to our friend Anna Braithwaite. — Certificates for the 3 last named friends were read at this time to our satisfaction. Those for our European friends having been read by this Meeting last Year. —

We appoint our friends Thomas Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, Moses Sleeper, Noah Read, Rowland Rathburn, Stephen Gould, Rhoda Howland, Elizabeth Mitchell Hannah Collins and Rachal Basset, to have the oversight of this Meeting, and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting, who are requestd to report to a future setting of this meeting.

Adjourned to 8, o'clock on 3rd day morning, the 17th Inst. at Newport. —

Third day morning, 17th met according to adjournment. —

The Representatives all present excep three. The Representatives proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk and Stephen Goul assistant for the Year ensuing, which being approved by the Meeting, they are according appointed to that service. —

The Queries having been read, and the answers from our several Quarterly Meeting the State of Society was opened, and the Meeting introduced into a feeling consideration thereof Sundry appropriate communications we made, tending to encourage and strength our minds in a firm establishment in the doctrines of the Gospel and in an humble walking before the Lord.—

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.—

Fourth day morning the 18th.—

Friends again Meet.— The Representatives all present as Yesterday.—

The Committee of last Year to extend a Care over this part of the Society as way should present for, made the following Report, viz.

"Newport, 6th mo. 16th 1828.—

To the ~~Select~~ Yearly Meeting to be held tomorrow at this ~~place~~

Dear Friends,

The Committee appointed to visit the subordinate Meetings, and to extend such care in this part of the Society as way may open for, have paid attention to the appointment, and some labour has been bestowed, which, we trust, has been attended with usefulness — but in taking a view of the present State of Society, it is our judgement that further Care and more extended labour by this Meeting are necessary.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee, by

Moses Sleeper
Elizabeth Wing."

Which being acceptable, and the proposition for an extention of labour in this part of the Society, according with the views of this meeting, said Committee are continued for that service, and Thomas Howland Hannah Collins, Mary Card, and Sarah Tucker, are added to the

1828. Committee, who are requested to pay such attention to the object of the appointment as they in the meekness of Wisdom may be qualifi for, and report next Year.—

The Committee appointed to the oversi of Meetings at a former setting report, that they have attended to that service and have nothing unfavourable to remark.—

We are informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Swansey Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Anna Shov to the place of an Elder — that Salem has united with Salem Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Abijah Chace, and that Sandwich has united with Sandwich Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Mary Wing 2 to the same station, and that Dover has united with the Mo. Meeting of Sandwich N.H. in approving the public ministry of Ezra Meader.—

Having been favoured with the overshadowing of divine Regard, during the several settings of this Meeting, whereby we have been enabled to transact the business which has come before us in much unanimity, under a grateful sense whereof we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island, next year, if the Lord permit.— Signed on behalf of the Meeting, By Rowland Greene Cl

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth for New-England, the 13th of 6th mo. 1829.—

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being presented, the representatives therein named,

For Rhode Island,

William Almy, Jonathan Dennis, Othniel Foster, Benjamin Buffington, Daniel Howland, Hannah Dennis, Lydia Breed, Ruth Buffington, Lydia Wilbur and Elizabeth Reynolds.

For Salem,

Ester Newhall, Thomas Davis, Henry Chase, John Page, Hannah Collins, Hannah Page, and Alice Chase.

For Sandwich,

Joseph Tripp, John R. Davis, James Tucker, Samuel Macy, Susanna Gardner, Deborah Otis and Sarah Tucker.

For Falmouth,

Reuben Bracket, Stephen Jones, Thomas Jones, William Cobb, Phebe Cobb and Anna Purington.

For Smithfield

Josiah Shove, Daniel Clapp, James N. Fry, Sarah Shove Mary B. Allen and Hannah Tristo,

For Vassalborough,

Moses Sleeper, and Jeremiah Hacker.

For Dover

Joshua Meader, John Brown, Phebe Meader and Mary T. Brown.— All present except one.

1829. We have had at this time the acceptable Company of Thomas Shillitoe, George and Ann Jones from Great Britian, Esther Griffin, Anna M. Thorn and Stephen Brown from New-York State, Elizab Pittfield from Philadelphia, with minutes and Certificates from their respective Meetings, expressi of concurrence with them in their visits to the North, except our English friends, whose Certificates were read at a former Meeting

We appoint our friends Thomas Howland, Jonathan Dennis, Moses Sleeper, James Tucker, Benjamin Freeborn, John Brown, Rachel Earle, Rhoda Howland, Hannah Collins, Lydia Macy, Ruth Buffington and Phebe Cobb, to have the careful oversig of this ~~and~~ the ensuing Yearly Meeting and report to a future setting of this Meeting.—

Adjourned to 8, o'clock on 3rd day morning, the 16th at Newport.—

Third day morning, the 16th friends again met.

The Representatives all present as at the former setting; except one.

They having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk, and Stephen Gould for assistant Clerk which being considered by the Meeting, is united with, and they accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The Queries and answers having

829. been read and the state of Society opened to the Meeting many minds were introduced into a feeling sense thereof, and several pertinent remarks were made, exciting to more watchfulness and diligence in supporting the various testimonies given us to bear, which we desire may prove availing to us.—

Adjourned to meet on 5th day at 8 o'clock in the morning, the 18th instant.

Fifth day morning, the 18th—

Friends met according to adjournment.— All the representatives present except one as at the first setting

The Committee appointed to visit and extend care to the subordinate Meetings, as occasion may require, and way open for, made the following report, viz.

To the Select Yearly Meeting to be held to day at this place.

The Committee to visit the subordinate Meetings, and extend such care in this part of Society, as circumstances might require, have paid attention to their appointment, as way has opened for, and several of the Committee have, occasionally been actively engaged in promoting harmony, and sound principles in the society. We would suggest for the consideration of the Meeting, the propriety, in our judgement, of continuing this care by a committee, should way open for it.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
by Rowland Greene
Sarah Tucker.

Newport, 18th of 6th mo. 1829.—

1829. which is accepted, and the Meeting feeling a deep concern that preservation in soundness of faith, and in love and harmony may be witnessed among us. think fit to continue said Committee, with the exception of our friend David Buffum, deceased, and Elizabeth Meader, absent on a religious visit, who are requested to pay such attention to their appointment as occasion may require, and they, in the meekness of wisdom, qualified for, and report next year. —

The Committee to the oversight of Meetings report that they have attended to that service and have nothing unfavourable to remark. —

We are informed by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting that it has united with the respective Mo. Meetings in the appointment to the station of Elders of Ruth Buffington, of Swansey. David Rodman of Rhode Island and Joanna Peck of Greenwich. —

By Salem, that it has united with Weare Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Daniel Gove Jr. to the station of an Elder. With Salem in approving the public ministry of Henry Chase, and with Seabrook with approving the public ministry of Abigail Miller.

By Sandwich, that it has united with Dartmouth Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Seth Davis, and with New Bedford in the appointment of Silvia Grinnell to the station of Elders, and with Sandwich Mo. Meeting, in approving the public ministry of Huldah Gifford, and that William Rotch Jr. is dismissed from the station of an Elder.—

By Falmouth, that it has united with Windham Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Lydia Allen and Miriam Cartland to the station of Elders, and with Falmouth Mo. Meeting in the appointment of William Purinton and Anna Purinton to the same station.—

By Vassalborough, that it has united with Leeds Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Timothy Bailey to the station of an Elder. and

By Dover, that it has united with Berwick Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of John D. Lang.

Having finished the business which has come before us in much harmony, we gratefully acknowledge the overshadowing of divine regard, with which we have been mercifully favoured in our several sittings, now close, proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year, if the Lord permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
By Rowland Greene, Clk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England, the 12th of 6th mo. 1830.—

Accounts being receiv'd from the several Quarterly Meetings, except Dover, the representatives therein named are

For Rhode Island,

Benjamin Freeborn, Daniel Howland, Daniel Brayton, John Wilbur, William Almy, Hannah Dennis, Anna A. Jenkins, Amy Knowles, Anna Shove and Elizabeth Reynolds—

For Salem.

Henry Chase, John Page, Abijah Chase, Mary Chase, Avis Keene and Hannah Collins.—

For Sandwich

Joseph Tripp, Francis Tabor, Seth Davis, Abiel Akin, George Mitchell, Anna Mccumber, Deborah Otis, and Rhoda Howland—

For Falmouth,

Edward Cobb. Stephen Jones, Nathan Pope, and Thomas Jones.

For Smithfield,

Moses Farnum, Silas Earle, Rowland Rathbun, Elizabeth Smith, Rachel Earle, and Mary B. Allen,

For Vassalborough,

Stephen Jones, Moses Starky, John Warren, and Abigial Nichols.—

For Dover

The acct. miscarried.

all present, except one from Smithfield—

1830 We have at this time the acceptable company of ou
friends Elisha Bates, from Ohio, Joseph Bowne,
Phebe Field and Sarah Talcot, from the state of N.
York, and Vallentine Meader from Vermont -
who produced Certificates of concurrence with them
in their visits to this Country, from the several
Meetings to which they belong. —

We appoint our friends Thos. Howland
Francis Tabor, Josiah Shove Cornelius Howland
Hannah Collins, Hannah Almy and Elizabeth Smit
to have the oversight of this, and the ensuing settin
of the Yearly Meeting and report at a future setting.

Having entered upon reading the
answers to the Queries, and proceeded as far as the
2nd inclusive, opening the state of the Society
in those respects, which was followed by several
appropriate remarks - the Meeting conclude
to suspend the further consideration of the Queries at
this time, and adjourns to meet at Newport on 3rd
day, the 15th Inst. at 8 o'clock in the morning. —

Third day morning the 15th Inst.

Friends again Met according to adjournment.
The Representatives all present, except one from
Sandwich - the friend who was absent at our
first setting from Smithfield is now present, and
offered a satisfactory reason for his absence

The Representatives have proposed Rowland
Green for Clerk and Stephen Gould for assistant
which the Meeting approves, and they are
appointed to that service for the ensuing year. —

The Meeting entered upon a consideration
of the state of Society as exhibited by the remaining
answers. — They disclose a want of unity and harmonio

labouring together in some instances — which elicited many feeling remarks on those subjects, tending to centre the mind in deep humility, watchfulness and singleness of eye to the holy Head of the Church. in whom is our hope and preservation. which we desire may be to our edification — and we encouraged to dwell in restoring love, and to be diligent in the Lambs warfare.

The Committee appointed last year to extend watchfulness and care over the subordinate Meetings and individuals as occasion might require, made the following report, to wit

In conformity to our appointment several of the Committee have attended divers of the subordinate Meetings and have endeavoured to discharge the duty which the Meeting entrusted to their care. There are still instances where the care of the Select Yearly Meeting appears to your Committee to be needed. — In behalf of the Committee — Rowland Greene
Mary B. Allen

Newport, 6th mo. 15th 1830.

Which is acceptable to the Meeting

The hour having come to which the Yearly Meeting at large meets, we conclude this setting and adjourn to 7 o'clock on 5th day morning the 17th Inst. —

Fifth day morning the 17th

Friends met pursuant to adjournment —

The representatives all present as before except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned. —

The subject of the Report of the Committee of last Year, being again alluded to — and it appearing desirable that the care of this Meeting as heretofore, towards the subordinate Meetings and individuals may be continued, as occasion may require, it is concluded to enter into a

1830. new appointment and the following friends are selected for that service. viz Benjamin Freeborn, William Almy John Wilbur Rowlan Greene, Stephen Jones, Edward Cobb. Thomas Howland, Isaac Bassett, George Mitchell, John Warren, Rowland Rathbun, Alice Rathbun Sarah Tucker, Hannah Collins, Hannah Dennis, Avis Keene, Mary B. Allen. Anna A. Jenkins Lydia Breed, Elizabeth Wing, Enoch Breed, Charles Chase, and Abraham Shearman Jr. who are desired to attend to the appointment in the meekness of Wisdom, and as Way may open for in the Truth, and report next year.

The Committee having the over sight of Meeting report that they have attended their appointment, and have nothing material to remark. —

We are informed by the accounts now received from the Quarterly Meetings that Lloy Greene of Greenwich Monthly Meeting — Edwar Chase of Swansey. Edward Gove Jr. of Seabrook, Elizabeth L. Gove of Weare, Sarah Clapp of Uxbridge and Abigail Beede of Sandwich (N.H.) have with the concurrence of their respective Quarterly Meetings, been appointed to the station of Elders. and that Mark Coffin, of Nantucket, has been dismissed from that station. —

Having been mercifully favoured to transact and bring to a close, the business which has come before us in much unanimity, under the continued extensio of heavenly regard; the consideration whereof gratefully humbles our minds — we now conclude this Meeting, proposing to meet again on this Islan next year, if the Lord permit. Rowland Greene, Cl

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 11th of 6th mo. 1831.

The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings by accounts received are, for

Rode Island, Daniel Howland, Benjamin Freeborn, John Wilbur, Daniel Brayton, Stephen Gould, Phebe Congdon, Elizabeth Wing, Hannah Gould Jr. Lydia Breed, Mary A. Collins, and Anna Shove.

Salem, Thomas Davis, Charles Chase, Abijah Chase, Daniel Johnston, Mace Chase, Lydia Page, Ruth Bassett and Abigail Miller.

Sandwich, James Tucker, Prince Gifford Jr. Joseph Tripp, Francis Taber, Anna Mccumber Rachel Swain, Susan Howland, Mary Card and Mary Wing.

Falmouth, William Cobb, Reuben Brackett Samuel F. Hussey, Thankful Hussey and Phebe Cobb.—

Smithfield, Jesse Battey, Josiah Shove, Rowland Rathburn, Mary Battey, Sarah Shove and Mace Rathburn.

Vassalborough, Samuel Tailer, John Warren and Ebenezer Pope.

Dover, John Brown, Joshua Meader, Mary T. Brown, and Phebe Meader.

All present, except 6, for the absence of four of whom satisfactory reasons were assigned.

We have at this time the acceptable

1831. company of our friends Jonathan and Hannah C. Backhouse from Great Britian, Nathan Hunt and Jeremiah Hubbard from North Carolina. Elisha Bates, Gerard Patterson and Henry Hunt from Ohio. Joseph Hoag, William Cary, Charles Tabor, Peleg Gifford, Lindley M. Hoag, Joseph Talcot, Elizabeth Coggshall, Mary R. King, from New-York Yearly Meeting. Elizabeth Evans, Mary Wister and Susan Newbold from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.— —

We appoint our friends Cornelius Howland, Thomas Howland, Samuel F. Hussey, Benjamin Freeborn, John Brown, Phebe Cobb, Hannah Collins, Rhoda Howland and Lydia Page, to have the Oversight of this and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting and report at a future setting of this meeting.

Sundry Remarks having been made at this time relative to the good of the Society, and the honor of Truth, which were to our edification, we adjourn to meet again at Newport at 8 o'clock on third day morning the 14th Instant.—

Third day morning the 14th.

Friends met pursuant to adjournment.—

The Representatives being called are all present except 4.

They having proposed the reappointment of Rowland Greene for Clerk, and Stephen Gould assistent, for the Year ensuing, it is satisfactory to the meeting and they are accordingly appointed to that service.

Our beloved friend John Wilbur feelingly opened to this meeting a concern which had for some time engaged his mind to pay a religious visit to friend in Great Britian and Ireland, and produced Certificates of concurrence from the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings of which he is a member, which claiming the solid and deliberate consideration of the meeting, much Unity and Sympathy with him therein was felt and expressed, leaving him at liberty to pursue his Prospect as Truth may point the way.

We appoint William Almy and others to prepare a Certificate of our approbation thereof and produce to a future sitting of this meeting.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8,o,clock.

Forth day morning the 15th friends again met pursuant to adjournment

The Committee appointed to prepare a Certificate for our friend John Wilbur produced the following, viz.

To friends where this may come

Dear Friends

Our beloved friend John Wilbur feelingly spreads before this Meeting a prospect which has for some years increasingly impressed his mind to perform a visit in Gospel love to friends in Great Britain & Ireland, & having obtained Certificates from his Monthly & Quarterly Meeting expressive of their unity with him in his concern. — the subject having also received the solid consideration of this Meeting, wherein much unity & sympathy with him in his ~~prospect~~ proposed visit was manifested, & desires raised to the Shepherd of Israel for his preservation & right direction in the performance of this important concern. — We likewise certify that he is a Minister in good esteem with us, & leave him at liberty to proceed in the performance of his prospect, as Truth may open his way, recommending him to the tender care and brotherly regard of those where he may come, desiring, that if consistent with the Divine will, when his Services are ~~completed~~ accomplished, he may ~~return~~ be favour'd to return to his family & friends in this Land, with the rewards of peace —

Signed on behalf & by direction of the
Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held on
Rhode Island for New England from the eleventh
to the 17th of the 6th Mo inclusive 1831

Stephen Gould }
Correspondent }

Rowland Greene Clerk

1831. Which is acceptable to the meeting, and the Clerk is directed to sign the same on behalf of this meeting and to furnish him with a Copy thereof.—

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Fifth day morning the 16th friends met according to adjournment.

The Queries and answers thereto from our several Quarterly Meetings were read and considered at this time, by which it appears that friends are generally engaged to attend their meetings, that ministers are generally careful to wait for divine ability in the exercise of their gifts, and in a good degree preserved from being burdensome. that the lives and conversations of ministers and Elders are mostly clean and blameless among men - in unity one with another, and the meetings they belong to, and harmony in their labours for Truth's honor witnessed, with some exception, in one or two of the accounts - They are generally concerned to rule their houses well, and to bring up their families as Truth requires, and to be good examples, and also to be peace-makers in families and in the Church - to maintain the discipline and to administer justice. —

The Committee to visit the subordinate meetings and to labour for the restoration of harmony among our members made the following Report, viz.

"To the Select Yearly Meeting now setting. According to our appointment we have paid attention to some cases requiring the care of the Committee, and endeavoured to discharge our duty in the ability afforded, and are united in believing that usefulness would arise from continuing care as heretofore by the appointment of a Committee.—

Newport. 6th mo 15th - 1831.

On behalf of the Committee
John Wilbur
Sarah Tucker"

Which is acceptable, and the Committee re appointed to that service for the Year ensueing, and are requested to pay such further attention to the objects of the appointment as circumstances may require, and way in the Truth, opens for - and report next Year.—

Adjourned to half past 7 o'clock tomorrow morning.—

Sixth day morning the 17th
Met according to adjournment—

The Committee to have the oversight of meeting, report, that they have attended to the appointment, and have nothing special to remark. —

1831. By Accounts received we are informed that Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with the Mo.. Meeting of Salem, in approving the public ministry of Jane Mansfield — that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth in approving the public ministry of Hannah Slade, and with New-Bedford monthly Meeting in the appointment of Mary Howland to the station of an Elder — that Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting has united with the Monthly Meeting of Vassalboro' in the appointment of Caroline Foley, and Sarah Hacker to the Station of Elders — with China monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ephraim Jones to the same station — and with the same monthly Meeting in approving the public Ministry of James Jones and Oliver Jepson — that Dover Quarterly meeting has united with Dover mo. meeting in the appointment of Joseph Tuttle and Eli Varney to the station of Elders — and that Sandwich Quarterly has united with Nantucket Mo. Meeting in dismissing Gilbert Coffin from the same station. —

Having transacted the business which has come before us, in much unanimity and feeling of christian fellowship, under the influence, we humbly trust, of the Unslumbering Shepherd of Israel, whose loving kindness has been mercifully witnessed in our several sittings, under a grateful sense thereof, we conclude, proposing, by divine permission, to meet again on this Island, at the usual time next year. Signed on behalf of the Meeting. By Rowland Greene

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 9th of the 6th Mo 1832.–

The Clerk being absent Thomas Howland is appointed for this time

The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings, as stated in their accounts recd at this time, are, for

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| Rhode Island | Benjamin Freeborn | |
| | Wm Almy | Hannah Dennis |
| | Abel Collins | Mary A Robinson |
| | Hannah Gould Jr | Joanna Peck |
| | Danl Howland | |
| | Edmond Chase | |
| Salem | Estes Newhall | Mirriam Newhall |
| | Henry Chase | Hannah Collins & |
| | John Page | Hannah Page |
| | Edwd Gove Jr | |
| Sandwich | James Tucker | Susanna Gardner |
| | Zenas Gardner | Anna Macomber |
| | Joseph Tripp | Sarah Tucker & |
| | Abraham Sherman Jr | Abigail Davis |
| Falmouth | William Purinton – | Phebe Cobb & |
| | Thos Jones | Anna Purinton |
| | Stephen Jones | |
| Smithfield | Jonathan Fry | Hannah Holder & |
| | Seth Kelley | Rachael Earl |
| | Moses Farnum | |

Vassalborough

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| Vaſsalborough | John Warren | Clement Ratcliff |
| | Moses Starkey | Anna Rogers |
| | Ebenezer Pope | Hepzibah Ratcliff |
| Dover | John D Lang | Sybil Jenkins |
| | John Meader | Elizabeth Meader |

Who being called are all present except three for ~~one~~ the absence of one of whom a Satiſfactory reason was aſsigned

We have had at this time the acceptable company of our friends Joseph Bowne from the Yearly Meeting of New York. Malon Hoggatt from North Carolina Ann Taylor of Ohio Yearly Meeting, Margaret Parker from New Jersey & Elizabeth Woods, companion to our friend Ann Taylor — We have likewise the acceptable company of our beloved friend Hannah C Backhouse from Great Britain

We appoint Matthew Purinton, Seth Kelley, Cornelius Howland Nicholas Congdon Joseph Howland, Ely Varney, John Page Hannah Collins, Hannah Almy, Mary Howland & Anna Purinton to take the oversight of ~~[illegible]~~ the ensuing Yearly Meeting and report to a future sitting of this Meeting

The State of society having been brought into view at this time by the reading of the first Querie & Answer thereto, the further consideration & reading the Answers is referred to a future sitting of this Meeting. –

This Meeting adjourned to the 8th hour on 3rd day morning next, the 12th inst at Newport.

Third day Morning [illegible] 12th Met at Newport agreeably to adjournment — Representatives present as at the former sitting with the addition of one more, & a satisfactory reason assigned for the absence of one other.

The Representatives proposed the appointment of Thomas Howland for Clerk and Stephen Gould assistant Clerk, which being approved by the Meeting — they are appointed Clerks for the ensuing Year.

The State of this part of the Society has again been revived by the reading of the remaining Queries, & answers from the several Quarters by which it appears That Friends are generally careful to attend their Meetings for Worship & Discipline & in encouraging their families to this duty.

That Ministers in the exercise of their Gifts, are in good degree careful to wait for Divine ability & are not burthensome.

That the Lives & conversation of Ministers & Elders are in good degree clean & blamless amongst Men, & that they are generally in unity with one another, & the Meetings they belong to & harmony in their Labours for Truths honour is generally maintained.

That a good degree of care is maintained for the right government of their Families, & to be examplary themselves — yet there is an acknowledgement that there is a departure in some — That they are generally careful to preserve peace in families & in the Church — to maintain the Discipline, not screening their own families, but careful to administer justice.

The committee appointed to visit Subordinate Meetings & Individuals as way might open, made the following Report Vizt ~~they have given some attention to the subject of their appointment & are induced to believe usefulness has arisen from the appointment of such a committee, & are of opinion it would be best to continue a similar committee for the present year~~

The Committee appointed to Visit subordinate Meetings & Individuals as way might open — Report — that they have given attention to the Objects of their appointment, and are united in prosp that usefulness will arise from the appointment of a committe for similar services the present year — On behalf of the Committee

Newport 6 Mo 11 1832

To the Select Yearly Meeting of Friends now sitting

Thos Howland
Hannah Dennis

Which is accepted, And this Meeting after deliberating on the subject are united with the committee in the prospect that the continuance of such a committee would be useful - Select for that purpose the following friends Vizt Thomas Howland - Abrm Sherman Jr - Thos Anthony John Warren - Loyd Greene - Cornelius Howland John Meader, Stephen Gould, Stephen Jones - Edwd Cobb, Benjn Freeborn, Josiah Shove Moses Starkey, Estes Newhall & Wm Almy.

Betsy Purinton, Elizabeth Rogers Ann Rogers - Elizabeth Meader, Elizabeth Wing Hannah Dennis - Mary Card Hannah Collins - Mary B Allen, Lydia Breed Mary Chase Ruth Davis. Anna A Jenkins & Phebe Cobb. - A committee to visit subordinate ~~Meetings & Individuals as way may open~~ branches of this meeting & its individual members as circumstances & occasions may render proper & way may open for, & report to this Meeting next year.

Adjourned to half past 7 OC tomorrow Morning.

Fourth day Morning the 13 met according to adjournment

The committee appointed to the oversight of Meetings. Report that they attended to their appointment & had nothing Special to remark.

By accounts now recd we are informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Swanzey Mo Meeting in the appointment of Theophilus Shove & with So Kingston Mo Meeting in the appointment of Eunice Foster to the Station of Elders Also with R I Mo Meeting in releasing David Rodman from the same Station. — that Salem Q Meeting has united with Seabrook Mo Meeting in approving the public ministry of Mehitable Foulsom & of Elizabeth Gove; & with Salem Mo Meeting in displacing Isaac Bassett from the Station of an Elder. — that Sandwich Q Meeting has united with Dartmouth Mo Meeting in approving the public ministry of Mary Davis & with Westport in the appointment of Samuel Slade to the Station of an Elder — that Vassalborough Q Meeting has united with Sidney Mo Meeting in the appointment of Olive Wing, & with Vassalborough Mo Meeting in the appointment of Edmund Cates to the Station of Elders, and with the latter Mo Meeting. in

approving the public Ministry of Thomas Pinkham-
& Cornelius Douglas — and that Dover
Quarterly Meeting has united with Sandwich
Moy Meeting in approving the public Ministry
of Anna Varney.

Having been favoured through
the several sittings of this Meeting to
transact the concerns that come before us
in much unanimity & Christian fellowship
and the Minds of many have been made
thankful to the Great ~~Head of the~~ Author
of all our blessings, and under a sense
of his continued goodness we adjourn intending to meet again on this Island
next Year if consistent with his will

Signed in behalf of the Meeting
Thomas Howland Clerk

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England, the 15th of 6th Mo 1833.

The representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings, as stated in their Accounts, are for Rhode Island. Daniel Howland, Andrew Nichols, Benjamin Freeborn, Daniel Brayton, William Almy, Amy Knowles, Hannah Almy, Anna Shove, Hannah Dennis, Mary Howland & Phebe Congdon.

Salem. Abijah Chase, John Page, Charles Chase, Avis Keene & Hannah Collins.

Sandwich. James Tucker, Jonathan Swain Frances Taber, Abial Akin, Sarah Wood, Mary Card, Rhoda Howland, Susanna Gardner & Elizabeth Barker.

Falmouth. Thomas Jones William Purinton & Anna Purinton.

Smithfield. Moses Farnum, Royal Southwo Rowland Rathbun. Alice Rathbun and Sarah Clapp.

Vassalborough. John Warren, Valentine Meader, Moses Sharkey, Paul Taber. & Cornelius Douglas

Dover

Dover. – John D Lang, John Meader, Benjamin Fry, Elizabeth Meader, & Mary T Brown. –

Who being called are all present, except five, for the absence of two of whom satisfactory reasons were rendered. –

We have the acceptable company of our Friends Jonathan Backhouse, and his wife Hannah Chapman Backhouse from England, Jacob Green from Ireland. – Mildred Ratcliff from Pennsylvania, Gulialma Widdifield from Philadelphia. – likewise our Friend George Smith from Pensylvania who with his wife accompany our friend Mildred Ratcliff; whose certificates from their Respective Meetings were read at this time, except Hannah C Backhouses which had been presented & read at a former Yearly Meeting. –

We appoint Matthew Purinton, Benjamin Freeborn, Frances Taber, Abial Akin Rhoda Howland, Hannah Collins, Mary Howland, Anna Purinton, Ester Newhall & William Purinton to take the oversight of this & the ensuing Yearly Meeting & report to a future sitting of this Meeting. –

Adjourned to meet at Newport on 3rd day the 18th inst at the 8th hour in the morning. –

3rd day Morning the 18th met by adjournment

The representatives proposed Thomas Howland for Clerk and Stephen Gould for assistant Clerk which being acceptable to the Meeting they were appointed to that service the ensuing year.

The Queries have been read at this time, and answers to them by which the State of this part of society was brought into view, by which it appears that Ministers & Elders are in good degree careful to attend our Meetings for Worship & Discipline and that Ministers are careful to wait for Divine ability in the exercise of their Gifts — That the lives & conversation of Ministers & Elders appear to be in good measure clean & blameless & are in unity one with another & the Meetings where they belong, and that a good degree of harmony is experienced in their labours, that they endeavour to rule their houses and bring up their families as queried, and are generally examplary themselves. — That they labour for the promotion of peace in families and in the Church, and to administer justice.

It appears that the following Friends have been added to this Meeting in the course of the past year. Vizt

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the Appointment of Henry Gould & David Buffum to to the station of Elders.

That Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Sophronia Page — with Seabrook Mo Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Edward Gove Junr — and with Weare Moy Meeting in the appointment of Jonathan Hoag to the station of an Elder.

That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with New Bedford Moy Meeting in approving the public ministry of Joseph Davis.

That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting has united with Durham Moy Meeting in the appointment of David Davis to the station of an Elder.

That Smithfield ~~Moy Meeting~~ Quarterly Meeting has united with Smithfield Moy Meeting in the appointment of John Osborne to the Station of an Elder.

That Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting has united with Vassalborough Moy Meeting in the appointment of Tabitha Cartland to the Same Station.

That Dover Quarterly Meeting has united with Dover Moy Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Gideon Bean, and with Sandwich Moy Meeting in the appointment of Jonathan Bedee to the Station of an Elder.

Adjourned to the 8th hour on 5th day Morning next the 20th inst

Fifth day morning the 20th inst met by adjournment. —

The committee appointed to visit subordinate branches of this Meeting & Individuals as way might open made the following Report that they have given attention to the Subject of their appointment and laboured as way has opened, and have apprehended that some usefulness has resulted from the care thus taken and on considering the present state of the Society are induced to believe a benefit may still be extended to the Body by the continuance of a Similar Committee

On behalf of the Committee

Newport 6th Mo 18th
1833
Thos Howland
To the Select Yearly Meeting
Elizabeth Wing

Which is accepted by the Meeting & this Meeting uniting in prospect with the Committee that ~~a continuance of~~ the care of this Meeting in having a Committee continued for the extending of help as occasion may offer and way may open in the pointings of Truth have thought well to continue the Committee appointed last year with the exception of Edward Cobb deceased and Rowland Greene is added to the Committee

The committee appointed to the oversight

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of Meetings Report that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing special to remark. –

Our beloved friend John Wilbur who receive a Certificate from this Meeting in the year 1831 to visit Friends in Great Britan & Ireland. returned the same with the following acceptable Certificate from the Morning Meeting held in London. – He likewise gave us a brief but satisfactory account of his Visit

## Certificate

From our Morning Meeting of Ministers & Elders, held in London the 14th of the 1st Month and by adjournment the 21st of the same 1833

To South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Friends in the State of Rhode Island; to Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders for New-England

Dear Friends

Our dear friend John Wilbur has attended this Meeting and informed us, that he believes that the religious service in this country to which he felt himself called, is nearly performed, and that he has a prospect of shortly returning to his native land

We think it right to certify on his behalf, that in the performance of this visit

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of Gospel love, he has been an instructive example amongst us, of a patient exercise for the prosperity of the cause of Truth. He has manifested a watchful care for right qualification to labour amongst us in the work of the Ministry, which has been sound and acceptable to friends.

With affectionate desires that he may be favour'd to return to his family and friends in safety, and to partake of that peace which is mercifully granted to the faithful disciples of our blessed Lord and Saviour, and with the salutation of brotherly love

We remain your friends

Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
by Josiah Forster Clerk

This Meeting having been favoured at its several sittings to feel, that the condescending goodness of our Heavenly Father has been continued; through whose help we trust we have been enabled to attend to the concerns that have come before us in brotherly love — And under an humbling sense of this feeling we adjourn to meet again on this Island next year if the Lord permit

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Thomas Howland Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode= Island for New England the 14th of the 6th Mon 1834. ~

The Representatives from the several Quarters, as stated in their Accounts are, for

Rhode Island Benjamin Buffinton, Benjamin Freeborn, Daniel Howland, John Wilbur, Matthew Purinton. Anna Shove, Elizabeth Wing, Ruth Freeborn, Amey Knowles, and Lydia C Smith. ~

Salem, John Page, Thomas Davis, Sophrona Page Hannah Collins and Abigail Miller,

Sandwich, James Tucker, Joseph Davis, Joseph Swift, Ruth Davis, Susan Howland, Mary Card, Tabathy Gifford and Susanna Gardner. ~

Falmouth, William Cobb, Thomas Jones, Nathan Pope, Phebe Cobb, Mary Read, and Phebe Cobb Junr. ~

Smithfield, James N Fry, Royal Southwick, Rowland Rathbone, Hannah Holde Rachael Earl and Alice Rathbun

Vaſsalborough, Clement Ratcliff Noah Farr, Valentine Meader, Jeremiah

Hacker

Hacker, Joanna Meader, Hepzibah Ratcliff, Tabathy Cartland and Sarah Hacker.-

**Dover**, John D Lang, Joshua Meader Benjamin Fry and Phebe Meader.

All present except four, for the absence of One satisfactory reasons have been rendered.-

We have at this time, the acceptable company of our friends Joseph Bowne, Richard Mott, Elizabeth Coggeshall, Anna M Thorn & Sarah M Upton from the Yearly Meeting of New-York.- Dugan and Asseneth Clark from North Carolina — Christopher Healy from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Thomas Arnet from that of Ohio and also Benjamin Wright an Elder from the same Yearly Meeting whose Certificates of concurrence with them in their present engagements, from their respective Meetings were read to our satisfaction.-

We have also the acceptable company of our friends Jonathan and Hannh C Backhouse, whose certificates were read last year.-

And have likewise the company of our friend Rebecca T Updegraff from the Yearly Meeting of Ohio whose certificate is not present at this time, being left at her lodgings.-

We appoint our friends Cornelius Howland, Estes Newhall, Benjamin Freeborn Stephen Gould, John Page, Paul Taber Mary Wing, Anna Shove, Hannah Collins, Hannah Almy, Phebe Meader, Phebe Cobb, and Sarah Hacker to take the oversight of

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this and the ensuing sittings of the Yearly Meeting and report at a future sitting of this Meeting

Adjourned to meet at Newport on third day the 17 at the 8th hour in the Morning

Third day morning the 17th inst friends met pursuant to adjournment

The Representatives having proposed Rowland for Clerk and Stephen Gould for Assistant Clerk, it is approved by this meeting, and they are appointed to that Service for the ensuing Year.

The Representatives all present as at the former setting, except one friend for whose absence we have a satisfactory reason and there are now in attendance two of the former absentees.

The Queries and Answers from the respective Quarterly meetings have been read & considered at this time — by which it appears that there is a concern to attend our meetings for worship and discipline and to encourage our families in those duties,

That Ministers in the exercise of their gifts are generally careful to wait for divine ability therein.

That the lives of ministers and Elders are in a good degree clean and blameleſs among

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men — and unity and harmony in their religious Labours are generally maintained —

That there is a concern to rule their houses well — to bring up their families in plainness, and to be examplary,

And that there is an engagement to preserve peace in families, and in the Church — and to maintain the discipline & to administer Justice —

While under the consideration of these important subjects, and in a view of the deficiencies still existing, sundry salutary remarks were made thereupon — calculated to incite to further care and faithfulness in living in and maintaining those christian duties. —

Our Friend John Wilbur at this time presented a returning certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders in Ireland, which has been read & is as follows. — Viz^t.

"To the Monthly Meeting of South-Kingston in the State of Rhode Island, to the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island, and to the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New England. —

Dear Friends.

Our dear Friend John Wilbur, to whom you granted Certificates, having within the past year, paid a religious visit to most of the Meetings of friends in this Land, and also held a few meetings with those

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not in profession with us. We Certify that his company and Gospel labours were truly acceptable, and his Ministry sound & edifying, bearing evidence of the source from whence it sprung.

We trust that by this time he has been restored to his family and friends, and we desire that in the retrospect of his labours and exercises, he may be favoured with the enriching reward of Peace

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland, held in Dublin, on the 27th of 4th Mo and 4th of 5th Mo 1833.

James Forbes Clerk to the Meeting this year.

Adjourned to half past 9 OClock tomorrow Morning

4th day morning the 18th inst

Friends met according to adjournment

Our beloved friend John Warren having laid before this meeting a concern which had for some time past, attended his mind to make a religious visit to friends and others in Great Britain and Ireland and having produced certificates of concurrence, with him therein from the Monthly & Quarterly Meetings of which he is a member, which obtained the solid and impressive consideration of this

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✓ Stephen A Chace ✓
✓ Saml Boyce ✓
✓ Alden Sampson

Meeting, and resulted in a full & free expression of Sympathy, and unity with him therein, leaving him at Liberty to persue the prospect, as best wisdom may lead the way — Whereupon we appoint Benjamin Freeborn, John Wilbur John D Lang, Thomas Jones and Rowland Greene, to prepare a certificate, expressive of our Sympathy and concurrence with him in this important Work..

Adjourned to 9 OC tomorrow Morning

5th day Morning the 19th Friends again met pursuant to adjournment

The certificate of our beloved Friend Rebecca Updegraf was read at this time. which is to our satisfaction

The committee appointed yesterday to prepare — a Certificate for our friend John Warren produced the following Viz:.

To Friends in Great Britan & Ireland

Dear Friends,

Our beloved Friend John Warren, a Minister in good esteem with us, spread before this Meeting a prospect which had attended his mind for several years past, to perform a visit in gospel love to friends and others in Great Britain and Ireland, and produced Certificates from his Monthly and quarterly Meetings, expressive of their concurrence and Unity with him therein, The subject claimed the solid and deliberate consideration of this meeting, and resulted in in a tender feeling and full expreſsion of unity and sympathy with him in this important engagement; leaving him at liberty to proceed therein as truth may open the way, desiring that his dependance may be on the Shepherd of Israel, and that he may witneſs his holy aid:

We recommend him to the kind and brotherly regard of those where he may come. And desire that he may be permitted, if consistent with the divine will, when his services in your land shall have been accomplished to return to his family and friends with the reward of Peace.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held on Rhode Island for New England from the 14th of 6th Mo to the 20th of the same 1834

Rowland Greene
Clerk

Which is approved and the Clerk is directed to transcribe on parchment and sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

The committee to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals as circumstances should require made the following Report Vizt.

To the Select Yearly Meeting now sitting.

The committee to visit the subordinate

Meetings

Meetings. — Report that we have paid some attention to our appointment, and have laboured in the concern, as way has opened, and as ability has been afforded — which we hope has been with some useful result.

Signed on behalf of the committee.

Newport 17th of 6 Mo } Benjamin Freeborn
1834 } Hannah Dennis

Which is acceptable to the meeting and the committee are released from this appointment and it appearing to this meeting that usefulness would result from the appointment of a similar committee — the further disposal thereof is refered to a future sitting

Adjourned to half past 7 O Clock tomorow Morning.

Sixth day morning the 20th inst Friends again met.

The subject of an appointment of a committee to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals as way may open for, and to labour for the preservation of right order, and the advancement of the cause of Truth, coming before the Meeting we appoint. Abraham Sherman, Rowland Greene, Cornelius Howland James Tucker, Thomas Jones, Royal Southwick Josiah Shove, John Wilbur, Moses Starkey, William Cobb, Henry Chase, Mary Card, Susanna Meader, Mary B Allen, Elizabeth King Sarah Tucker, Susan Howland, Hannah Collins, Amy Knowles, Phebe Cobb, Alice Rathbun, Mary Howland, Lydia Breed, Anna Shove, Ely Varney, Joshua Meader, Paul Taber Valentine Meader, Ann Pope & Hannah Dennis.

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to the service, and they are desired to pay such attention thereto as the state of society may require — and to labour in the meekness of Wisdom, and in the ability afforded of Him who putteth forth and goeth before His people — and report to this Meeting next Year. —

This meeting is informed by a minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting that the following Friends have been added to this meeting since last Year. Vizt. that Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Abner Chase, and with Sea brook Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Dolly Dow to the Station of Elders. — That Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has united with Pembroke Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Alice Rogers to the same station

That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting has united with Durham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elisha Tuttle, to the Station of an Elder, & with Falmouth Monthly Meeting in the appointment of John W Minott and John Winslow to the same Station. — That Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting, has united with Vassalborough and Sidney Monthly Meetings, in the appointment of Edmond Whitehouse, Elizabeth Bowerman, Elizabeth Taylor, Abijah Newhall, Hannah Whitehouse, and Daniel Paddock to the station of Elders. — and with Sidney Monthly

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Meeting & Leeds Monthly Meetings in approving the public Ministry of Charles F Coffin & Reuben Jones.

The committee appointed to the Oversight of the Meetings, at our first sitting, Report that they have attended to that Service and have nothing further to remark.

We may humbly acknowledge that we have been mercifully favoured with a manifestation of the goodness of the shepherd of Israel in our several sittings — that solemnity and deep feelings has been witnessed in them and the business conducted in much uninimity and brotherly regard — and now brought to a close — we desire to be thankful for these mercies, proposing to meet again on this Island next Year, if the Lord permit.

Rowland Greene Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 13th of the 6th Mo 1835.

The representatives as stated in their Accounts are, for

Rhode Island, John Wilbur
Thomas Anthony
David Buffum
Matthew Purinton
Benjn Buffinton
Hannah Gould Jr.
Phebe Congdon
Anna Shove
Amy Knowles &
Caroline Tobey.

Salem, — Moses H Beede
Abijah Chase
Henry Chase
John Page
Elizabeth Gove
Avis Keene &
Dolly Dow

Sandwich, Francis Taber
Seth Kelly
James Tucker
Hannah Slade
Mary Card
Mary Howland &
Susan Howland

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| Falmouth.— | Thomas Jones<br>William Cobb<br>William Purinton<br>Nathan Pope &<br>Anna Purinton |
| Vaſsalborough, | Allen Wing<br>Moses Starkey<br>James Jones.<br>Noah Farr<br>Olive Wing &<br>Joanna Meader |
| Smithfield, | Josiah Shove<br>Jonathan Fry<br>Daniel Clapp<br>Rachel Earle &<br>Mary B Allen |
| Dover.— | John D Lang<br>John Meader<br>Phebe Meader &<br>Mary T Brown. |

Present excepting eight, for two of whom reasons of their absence were aſsigned —

We have at this time the company of our Friends Joshua Lynch & Elisha Bates from Ohio— Huldah Hoag, Robert Comfort & Mead Atwater from N York Thomas Kite from Philadelphia. And Benjamin Wright companion to Elisha Bates— James Boulton companion to Joshua Lynch, whose certificates of

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concurrence from their respective Meetings with them in their present religious engagements were read to our satisfaction.

We appoint our Friends Thomas Howland, Josiah Shove, Francis Taber, Matthew Purinton, Abraham Sherman Jr. Jonathan Dennis, Wm Cobb, John Brown, Rachel Earle, Mary Howland, Anna Shove, Hannah Gould Jr & Lydia Wilbur to have the oversight of this & the ensuing sittings of the Yearly Meeting & to report at a future sitting of this Meeting.

The Queries & answers as far as the third inclusive were read & considered — the further consideration was refer'd to another sitting

Adjourned to Newport to meet at 8 OClock on 3d day Morning the 16th inst.

3d day Morning the 16 inst. - Friends met pursuant to adjournment.

The representatives having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk & Stephen Gould aſsistant for the ensuing year — and the nomination meeting the approbation of this Meeting they are appointed Accordingly.

The queries and Answers were again rea and further considered, and various pertinent & impreſsive remarks were offered, inciting friends to steadfastly look unto, & confide in Him who is life, and the Holy Head of the Church, that thereby qualification may be witneſsed to serve & cleave unto him in faithfulneſs & uprightneſs of heart.

Adjourn'd to 8 OClock on 5th day Morning the 18th inst.

5th day morning the 18th int. met pursuant to adjournment.

The committee to visit subordinate Meetings present the following Report,

To the Select Yearly Meeting now Sitting

"The Committee appointed last Year to visit our subordinate Meetings & individuals, as occasion might seem to require, & way open for it. – report, that some attention has from time to time been given to the objects of their appointment, and they are lead to believe that some usefulness has resulted from the labours that have been extended, and that it may contribute to further usefulness to Society to have a similar Committee under appointment for the ensuing Year." Signed on behalf of the committee

Newport 6th Mo 18th – 1835

Thomas Jones
Lydia Breed

which is acceptable to the Meeting and believing usefulness would result from continuing this care we are united in reappointing the same friends with the exception of our friend Cornelius Howland deceased, & ~~the addition of~~ Francis Taber John Meader & Thomas Howland are added to them – Who are desired to pay such attention to the objects of their appointment as may appear necessary, & report to this meeting next year

This meeting is informed by a minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting that the following friends are added to this meeting since last year Vizt Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with Weare Monthly Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Abijah Johnson; With Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Cassandra Nichols, & with Seabrook in the appointment of Robert Brown to the Station of Elders –

That Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting has united with China Monthly Meeting in approving the

the public Ministry of Comfort Jepson, and in the appointment of Abner Jepson to the station of an Elder. — With Sidney Monthly Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Samuel Taylor Jr — And with Vaſsalborough Monthly Meeting in displacing Thomas Pinkham from the Meeting of Ministers & Elders — That Falmouth Quarterly Meeting has united with Durham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Eunice Jones to the Station of an Elder, and with the same Monthly Meeting in dismiſsing Israel Jones from that Station. And that Dover Quarterly Meeting has united with Dover Monthly Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Olney Thompson. —

The committee having the oversight of meetings report — that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing special to report further. —

Having accomplished the busineſs that has come before us in much unanimity & gospel fellowship — under the influence we humbly trust, of the holy head of the Church — for which desiring to feel the arisings of gratitude & praise — We conclude proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year if the Lord permit

Rowland Greene — Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of ministers and elders begun at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New-England the 11th of 6th mo. 1836.—

Accounts were received from the different Quarterly meetings constituting this, and the representatives therein named are for

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| Rhode Island— | Matthew Purington.<br>Thomas Howland.<br>John Wilbur.<br>Benjamin Buffington<br>Stephen Gould.-<br>Thomas Anthony.<br>Amy Knowles.<br>Anna A. Jenkins.<br>Anna Shove.<br>Joanna Peck.<br>Elizabeth King.- |
| Salem. | Estes Newhall.<br>Abner Chase.<br>Abijah Johnston.<br>Edward Gove.<br>Hannah Collins.<br>Miriam Newhall.<br>Avis Keen. |
| Sandwich. | James Tucker.<br>Samuel Slade.<br>Francis Taber<br>Abiel Akin.<br>Mary Taber.<br>Silva Grinnel.<br>Phebe Tripp. |

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| | Elizabeth Mitchell. |
| | Huldah Gifford. |
| | Barbara Gifford. - |
| Falmouth - - - | William Cobb. |
| | Nathan Pope. |
| | Thomas Jones. |
| | William Purington. - |
| | Anna Purington. - |
| | Phebe Cobb. - |
| Smithfield - | Josiah Shove. - |
| | James N. Fry. - |
| | Sarah Clapp. |
| | Hannah Holder. |
| Vassalborough - | Daniel Paddock. |
| | Edmond Cates. |
| | John Warren. |
| | Valentine Meader. |
| | Joanna Meader. |
| | Ann Pope. |
| | Elizabeth Taylor. |
| | Rachel Jones. - |
| | Hannah Whitehouse. |
| Dover - - | John D. Lang. - |
| | Eli Varney. - |
| | John Brown. - |
| | Mary Brown. |
| | Elizabeth Meader. |
| | Lydia Fry. - |

Who

were all present except 4 - for whose absence satisfactory reasons were rendered. —

We have at this time the acceptable company of our friends Samuel Rhodes, Samuel Bettle, Hannah Rhodes, and Hannah Warrington Jr. from the Yearly Meeting of Philadelphia Joshua Linch from Ohio - Isaac Thorn and Deborah Otis from the Yearly Meeting of New-York - who produced satisfactory Certificates from their respective meetings expressive of the unity of those meetings with them in their present religious engagements.-

Also the company of Samuel Woolman, companion to Joshua Linch - John T. Boyce, companion to Isaac Thorn. and Grace Evans, companion to Hannah Rhodes, with satisfactory minutes of concurrence with them in their present engagements from their respective Meetings.-

We appoint Benjamin Mott - Mathew Purington - Nicholas Congdon - Samuel Slade - Paul Wing - Ester Newhall - William Cobb - Hannah Collins - Anna Shove - Alice Rogers - Anna Purington - Mary Howland - Mary T. Brown - and Miriam Newhall, to have the oversight of this and ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting, and to report at a future setting of this meeting. -

Adjourned to meet at Newport at 8 o'clock on 3d day morning, the 14. inst. —

Third day morning the 14th - Friends met pursuant to adjournment. -

The Representatives are present as at the former setting. -

They having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk, and Stephen Gould for assistant Clerk; and the meeting uniting therewith, they are accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

The queries and answers from the several quarterly meetings were then read - and the state of this part of Society brought into view - and it appears that Ministers and elders are in a good degree careful to attend our meetings for worship and discipline, and to encourage their families herein -

That ministers in the exercise of their gifts are generally careful to wait for divine ability - and are preserved from being burdensome. -

The lives and conversation of ministers and elders, [illegible] are generally clean and blameless among men - mostly in unity one with another - and the meetings they belong to - and harmony, in a good degree, is witnessed in their labours for Truth's honor. -

They appear to be concerned

for the right government of their families - and to bring them up as required - but deficiencies are acknowledged - concerned to be examples themselves.—

Generally engaged to preserve peace in families and in the Church - to maintain the discipline, not screening their own families - but administering justice, in a good degree, as required.—

Appropriate remarks on several of those subjects were made, tending to encourage and strengthen in devotion, to the Cause of Truth - and to become more and more qualified, through his holy aid, to serve and glorify him in all things.

Our beloved friend John Warren presented at this time. the following satisfactory Certificates. viz.

To China Monthly Meeting of Friends, Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New-England.

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend John Warren, to whom you granted Certificates, having paid a visit to the meetings of Friends in this land, and being now with us, and having informed us that he believes his services in this nation are accomplished, We certify on his behalf that his company and Gospel labours, with his solid deportment have been truly acceptable to us, and his ministry sound and edifying.

As a brother beloved, we desire that he may continue to experience Divine protection and support, and be favoured to return to his family and friends with the reward of Peace.

Signed in and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland, held in Dublin on the 25th of fourth month and the 2nd of 5th mo. 1835. —

William Harvey,
Clerk to the meeting this Year.

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To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, the Quarterly Meeting of Vassalborough and the Monthly Meeting of China.

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend John Warren has informed us that he considers his religious service in this Country nearly accomplished.

We think it right to certify on his behalf, that he has laboured diligently amongst us in the work of the Gospel of Christ, and that his ministry has been exercised in much simplicity and faithfulness, and accompani by the tendering influence of Divine love. His watchful and consistent deportment has been exemplary and acceptable to Friends where his lot has been cast.

We part from our dear friend in much unity, and earnestly commend him to the care of the Great Shepherd, affectionately desiring that he may be preserved in dedication to the Lord's cause, and through holy help be enabled to fill up his measure of service in the Church.

Signed in and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held in London, this 23rd of the Fifth Month 1835. –

by William Allen, Clerk.

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Then adjourned, to meet at half past 7. o'clock, on 5th day morning. the 16. inst.

Fifth day morning, the 16th

Friends met according to adjournment. The representatives present as before. –

The Committee to visit subordinate meetings and individuals as should seem necessary, made the following report,

Newport, 6 mo. 14th 1836.

To the select Yearly Meeting:

The Committee to visit subordinate Meetings &c. report, that we have attended to the objects of our appointment as circumstances seemed to require, and we trust, that usefulness has been derived from this concern of the meeting.

On behalf of the Committee

Thomas Jones.

Phebe Cobb.—

which is acceptable to the meeting.

Believing that usefulness might be derived to the Cause of Truth from the continuation of a Committee to visit subordinate meetings and individuals, as occasion may require, and in guarding, as ability may be afforded, the precious testimonies and doctrines of the Gospel as held by our Society, we appoint our friends, William Cobb—Estes Newhall, Stephen Gould, John Meader John Warren—Rowland Greene—John Wilbur.—Abraham Shearman Jr.—John Brown—Abiel Akin—James Tucker—Thomas Anthony—Thomas Jones—Samuel Taylor—Ezra Meader—William Purington.—Elizabeth Barker—Elizabeth Wing—Elizabeth Meader—Alice Rathburn.—Avis Keene—Hannah Collins—Ann Pope—Sophronia Page—Phebe Cobb. Huldah Gifford—Mary T. Brown—Rachel Jones.—Mary A. Collins—Mary Taylor and Anna Shove to that service, who are requested to pay such attention thereto as occasion may demand, and way in the Truth open for — both in relation to meetings and individuals — and report to this meeting next Year. — ——

This Meeting is informed by a minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting that the following Friends are added to this department of the Society since last year — viz. that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Swancey Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Mary Shove 2d. and with South Kingstown in approving the public ministry of Elizabeth Peckham. —

That Sandwich has united with Dartmouth Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Abraham Russel and Phebe Tripp — and with Westport Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Barbara Gifford to the station of Elders. and also with New-Bedford Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Abraham Davis, and in the appointment of Mary Tabor to the station of an Elder, and with Nantucket Mo. Meeting in displacing Zenas Gardner from that station.

That Smithfield has united with Uxbridge Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Edward Foster to the station of an Elder. — (see Vassalboro' on the other side.)

♀ That Dover has united with Sandwich Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Samuel Scribner,

and

Huldah B. Hoag, and in the appointm of Joseph Varney of Wolfeboro', and Hanna Varney to the station of Elders — and wit Dover Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Sarah P. Tuttle to the same station.

& That Vassalboro' has united with Vassalboro' Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Nathan Mower; with Leeds Mo. Meeting in the appointment of John Dean, and with Sydney Mo. Meeting in the appointment Peter Paddock, Judith Paddock and Lydia Taylor to the station of Elders.

The Committee to the oversight of Meetings report that they have attended to their appointment - and have nothing further to remark to the Meeting.—

Having been favoured to transact the business which has come before us in our several sittings, in much Unanimity and love, under a grateful sense thereof we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time, next year, if the Lord permit.—

Rowland Greene, Clerk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode-Island, for New-England, the 10th of the 6th mo. 1837.—

By accounts received from the several Quarterly Meetings, the Representatives therein named are for

Rhode-Island, John Wilbur—Thomas Howlan
David Buffum.—Joseph Metcalf.—
Benjn. Buffinton.—Caroline Toby.—
Anna Shove.—Elizabeth Wing—
Phebe Congdon.—& Mary Knowles.—

Salem— — Henry Chase.—Estes Newhall.—
Edward Gove, Moses H. Bedee.
Avis Keene. Elizabeth Gove
and Sophronia Page.—

Sandwich— Warren Gifford—Seth Davis—
Matthiah Gifford—Francis Taber
James Tucker.—Ruth Davis.—
Alice Rogers.—Mary Wing—
Huldah Gifford—Mary Davis.
and Rachel Swain.—

Falmouth.— William Purinton. Thomas Jones—
William Cobb. & Anna Purinton.

Smithfield Silas Earle—Daniel Clapp.—
Hannah Holder—and Sarah Clapp.—

Vassalborough— Edmund Cates—Moses Starkey—
James Jones, Cornelius Douglass—
Anna Pope and Joanna Meader.

Dover, — Joshua Meader - Olney Thompson
John D. Lang. - Phebe Meader
Mary T. Brown - & Hannah Varn

who are all present except to - for the absence of two of whom satisfactory reasons were offered. —

We have at this time the acceptable company of our friends, William Kennard from Sumerset Mo. Mg. Ohio. —

William Evans from the Southern District Mo. Mg, Philadelphia — Rebecca Hubbs from Salem. Mo. Mg — Susanna R. Smith from Burlington Mo. Mg New-Jersey. —

Huldah Hoag and Abigail R. Hoag from Muncton Mo. Mg Vermont —

Lydia Hallock from Purn Mo. Mg —

Joseph Tripp and Elizabeth Tripp from Hector Mo. Mg — New York — with satisfactory Certificates and minutes from their respective Meetings expressive of concurrance with them in their present religious engagements. —

William and Hannah Reese from Purn Mo. Mg. companions to Lydia Hallock Casper Wister from Salem Mo. Mg companio to Rebecca Hubbs — And Ann Bishop from Springfield Mo. Mg companion to Susanna R. Smith — with satisfactory minut expressing the concurrance of their respective Meetings with them in their certified engagements.

Adjourned to meet at Newport at 8 o'clock
on 4th day morning, the 14th instant. —

14th Instant — Friends met pursuant to adjournment. —

The representatives being called are present except 7, for the absence of two of whom satisfacto reasons have been given. —

They having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk, and Stephen Gould for assistent Clerk, which being approved by the meeting, they are appointed to that service for the year ensuing.

We have at this setting the acceptable company of Joseph Hoag — and Isaac and Anna M. Thorn — their certificates are not present. —

The Queries and Answers from the several Quarterly Meetings were read — and the state of this part of the Society brought into view; and claimed the consideration of the meeting — which was followed by several weighty remarks, tending to our encouragement in an humble and faithful labour for the welfare of the Church —

The following summary is made from the Acts.

Ministers and Elders appear careful to attend their meetings for Worship, bringing their famili with them — also meetings of discipline, encouragin their families in this duty. —

Ministers in the exercise of their gifts are carefu to wait for divine ability — and are not burdensome

The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders are generally clean and blameless among men, with exceptions in two or three of the accounts - generally in unity one with another and the meeting they belong to - and mostly harmonizing together in labour for Truth's honor. —

Generally concerned to rule their houses well and to bring up their families as queried after - and to be exemplary themselves

In a good measure careful to preserve peace in families, and in the Church - and to maintain the discipline - not screening their families therefrom - and to administer justice.

The committee appointed to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals mad the following report - viz

To the select Yearly Meeting.

The committee to visit subordinate Mtgs and individuals, as occasion might requir and way open for, report, that some attentio has been paid to that appointment - and trust that usefulness, in some measure, has been the result, and believe that it would be beneficial to the Society that a Committee for similar purposes be appointed at this time. Which we submit - On behalf of the committee — —

Thomas Anthony
Mary B. Allen.

Newport - 6th mo 14th - 1837. —

which is accepted.-

This meeting being united in the prospect
that usefulness would arise to the Society from
the appointment of a Committee, as heretofore,
to visit our subordinate Meetings and individua
as occasion may demand, and way in the Truth,
open for - and to guard and promote in the
meekness of wisdom, and, as ability may be afforded,
the precious testimonies given us to bear, appoint
the following friends to that service, viz.
Abraham Shearman Jr. - Thomas Howland
John Brown. - James Tucker. - Moses Starkey -
Thomas Anthony - Thomas Jones. - Wm Cobb. -
Josiah Shove. - Joshua Meader. - Rowland
Greene. - Estes Newhall. - James Jones. -
John Meader. - John Osborne. - 15 -
Ruth Davis - Elizabeth Meader - Anna Purinton
Joanna Meader. - Susan Howland - Anna
A. Jenkins. - Hannah Collins. - Anna Macomber -
Sarah Keene. - Sophronia Page. - Ann Pope -
Lydia Breed - Mary B. Allen. - Hannah
Varney. - and Mary Howland 15 - who are
requested to report their services to this
meeting next year. —

This meeting is informed by a minute
from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting that the following
friends have been added to this department
of the Society since last year - viz. that
Rhode Island Quarter has united with Greenwich

Mo. Mg in the appointment of Daniel Anthony to the station of an Elder. — that Salem has unite with Seabrook Mo. Mg in the appointment of Susan L. Brown, and with Salem Mo. Mg in the appointment of Rachel B. Holder to the same Station that Sandwich has united with Pembroke Mo. Mg in approving the Public Ministry of Sarah Keene that Falmouth has united with Durham Mo. Mg in the appointment of Lemuel Jones to the station of an Elder, and with the same Mo. Mg in approving the Public ministry of Nathan Douglass that Smithfield has united with Smithfield Mo. Mg in the appointment of Catharine Comstock to the Station of an Elder — that Vassalborough has united with China Mo. Mg in approving the Public Ministry of Sybil Jones, — with Vassalborough Mo. Mg in the appointment of Jacob Partridge to the Station of an Elder, and with Leeds Mo. Mg in the appointment of Abigail Farr, to the same Station — that Dover has united with Sandwich Mo. Mg in approving the Public Ministry of Comfort Hoag — and with Dover Mo. Mg in dismissing fro Eli Varney from the Station of an Elder. —

The Committee having the oversight of Meetings, Report that they have attended to that service, and have no further remark to make.

Having been favoured to finish the business that has come before us, under a feeling of our dependance on the Great Head of the Church for qualification to serve in his Cause; and humbly believing that the influence of his holy Spirit, has been witnessed among us, we thankfully conclude; proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year, if the Lord permit. —

Rowland Greene, Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode-Island, for New-England, the 9th of 6th mo. 1838. —

Accounts from the quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being presented, the representatives therein named are, for

Rhode-Island, Thomas Howland, John Wilbur, Benjamin Buffington, Nicholas Congdon, David Buffum, Mathew Purington, Susanna Greene, Alice Rathbun, Elizabeth Peckham, Hannah Gould Jr. Anna A. Jenkins and Anna Shove. —

Salem — Nathan Page - Moses H. Beede - John Page - Jonathan Nichols, Miriam Nichols - Sophronia Page, Hannah Page and Avis Keene. —

Sandwich. Abraham Russell - Francis Taber Samuel Slade. - Abiel Akin - James

Tucker - Mary Card - Alice Rog
Phebe Tripp - Barbara Gifford -
and Mary Davis -

Falmouth, Thomas Jones, Nathan Pope. and
Lemuel Jones. -

Smithfield, Silas Earle, Moses Farnum, Mary
B. Allen and Catharine Comstock..

Vassalborough, John Warren, Edmund Whitehouse -
Edmund Cates - Anna Cates - Hanna
Whitehouse and Sybel Jones. -

Dover, John D. Lang - John Brown - Mary
T. Brown. - and Phebe Meader. -

Who are all present except 6 - for the absence of four satisfactory reasons have been given. -

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We have at this time the acceptable company of our friends, Joseph John Gurney from Great-Britian - Stephen Grelet, from Burlington, N.J. Joseph Bowne Richard Mott - John Wood, Sarah Hawxhurst, Sarah Gifford - and Hannah H. Battey from the yearly Meeting of New-York. - John Scott, from that of Baltimore - Eli Hanes an from Ohio, and Henry Hinsdale from Baltimore companion to Joseph John Gurney. - Who presente Certificates, from their respective Meetings, of unity and concurrence with them in their present religious engagements - which were satisfactory to us.

We appoint our friends, Seth Davis, Samuel Slade, John Page, Jonathan Dennis, Stephen Gould, Silas Earle, Nathan Pope, Hannah Collins, Hannah Gould Jr. Hannah Whitehouse, Mary T. Brown, Phebe Meader, and Anna Shove, to take the oversight of this and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting, and report at a future setting of this meeting. —

Adjourned to meet at Newport at 8 o'clock on 4th day morning, the 13th instant. —

Fourth day morning, the 13th friends met according to the adjournment. —

The Representatives all present except four.

Thomas Jones on behalf of the Representatives proposed the reappointment of Rowland Greene as Clerk and Stephen Gould, assistant Clerk which being approved by the Meeting, they are appointed to that service for the ensuing Year —

The Queries and Answers from the several Quarterly Meetings were read, and the import thereof is as follows —

Ministers and Elders are careful to attend Meetings for divine worship, and generally diligent in attending those for discipline, encouraging such of their families to this duty as are suitable. —

Nothing appears but that Ministers in the exercise of their gifts, are careful, in a good degree, to wait for divine ability. and are not burdensome. —

The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders appear to be, generally, clean and blameless among men, generally careful to preserve unity one with another and with the meetings they belong to, and are, in a good degree, concerned to harmonise in their labours for Truths honor.

There appears to be a concern to rule their houses well and to bring up their families in Plainness in language, dress and true moderation - but some it seems are sensible of coming short of obtaining that degree of plainness in those respects which truth requires - They endeavour to be exemplary themselves. —

A good degree of concern appears among them to preserve peace in families and in the Church - to maintain the discipline and not to screen their own families therefrom - and to administer justice as required. —

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The Committee appointed last year to visit subordinate meetings and individuals made the following report, viz -

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Committee appointed last year to visit subordina meetings and individuals as occasion might require, Report, that some attention to the object of their appointment has been given, which has resulted to their satisfaction, and we trust, to adva=tage, in some degree, to Society – We are united in believing that the care of the Meeting to the same object is advisable, which we submit to the meeting – On behalf of the Committee

Thomas Anthony
Elizabeth Meader.

To the select Yearly
Meeting now setting
Newport, 6th mo. 13th 1838.

And the same friends are continued another year as a Committee to attend, as way shall open for to the same service – and report next year. –

We are informed by an account from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting that the following friends have been added to this department of our religious Society since last year, namely that Salem has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Jonathan Nichols to the station of an Elder – that Sandwich has united with New-Bedford Monthly in the appointment of Barnabus Taber – with Sandwich in the appointment of Rhoda Bowerman, and with Nantucket in the appointment of Peleg Mitchell to the station of Elders – and also with Sandwich Monthly in approving the public ministry of Anna D. Wing – that Falmouth has united with Windham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of David Allen. Elisha Jones, and Nancy Maxfield to the station of Elders - and that Vassalborough has united with Vassalborough month Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Anna Cates, and with Sidney in the appointment of Chloe Doughlass to the station of an Elder - and that Dover has united with Berwick Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Hanna Morrell and Ann Elmira Lang to the same station.

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We have had at this setting also the company of our dear friends from abroad as minuted at our former setting, whose company and gospel labours have been very acceptable and tendering to us, encreasing we humbly trust our desires to be found faithful in the stations in the Church to which we are called. —

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The Committee appointed to the oversight of Meetings, report that they have attended to that service and have nothing further to offer. —

Having accomplished the business which has come before us in much unanimity and brotherly regard, under an humbling sense of the goodness of Israel's Shepherd in the extention of his love to the Church, we conclude proposing to meet again on this Island, at the usual time next year, if the Lord permit -

Rowland Greene, Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island, for New-England, the 15th of 6 mo. 1839.—

Accounts being received from the several Quarterly Meetings constituting this Meeting, the representatives therein named are, for Rhode-Island, Thomas Howland, Thomas Anthony, John Meader, David Earle, Andrew Nichols, Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Anna A. Jenkins, Anna Shove, Elizabeth King, Amy Knowles and Elizabeth Meader.

For Salem—Jonathan Nichols, Enoch Breed, Abijah Johnston—Estes Newhall—Sophronia Page—Lydia Breed, Susan L. Brown, and Avis Keene.—

For Sandwich, Abial Akins, Isaac Lawrance, Abraham Shearman Jr, James Tucker, Mary Card, Abigail Davis, Hannah Slade, Susan Howland, Anna McCumber, and Alice Rogers.—

For Falmouth, Thomas Jones, Nathan Lufk Elisha Jones and Lemuel Jones.—

For Smithfield, Silas Earle, Daniel Clapp, Mary B. Allen—Rachel Earle, and Sarah Clapp.—

For Vassalborough, Zacheus Bowman, John Warren, James Jones, Stephen Nichols, Joanna Meader, and Anna Cates.—

For Dover, Olney Thompson, Ezra Meader, Mary T. Brown, and Ann Elmira Lang: — who are all present except three, for one of whom a satisfactory reason was offered. —

We have at this time the acceptable compan of our friends Daniel Wheeler, Thomas and Elizab Robson from England — Joseph Edgerton and h companion, William Dewes, from Ohio. — John Wood, Elizabeth Coggshall, Rachal Thornto and Henry Knowles from the Yearly Meeting of New-York, whose Certificates from their respecti Meetings, signifying their concurrence an unity with them in their several religious engagements have been read to our satisfactio

We appoint our friends, Francis Taber David Buffum, Estes Newhall, John Page, Enoch Breed, Mary Taber, Anna Shove, Hannah Collins and Hannah Gould Jr. to the over sight of this and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting who are requested to report at a future setting of this meeting. —

Adjourned to meet at Newport at 8 oclo on 4th day morning, the 19th Instant. —

Forth day morning, the 19th. Friends met according to adjournment. —

The representatives being called are all present as at our former setting — They having

conferred together on the subject of Clerks, propose
the reappointment of Rowland Greene as Clerk
and David Buffum assistant Clerk for the year
ensuing - which being approved by the Meeting
they are accordingly appointed to that service.

The Queries and corresponding answers
from all our Quarterly Meetings have been
read and the import thereof is as follows.

That Ministers and Elders are careful to attend
Meetings for worship and to bring their families -
are diligent in the attendance of those for discipline
encouraging such of their families therein as are suitable.

That Ministers in the exercise of their gifts are
careful to wait for divine ability, and are preserved
from being burdensome, with an exception in
one or two of the accounts.

That the lives and conversation of Ministers and
Elders are in good measure clean and blameless
amongst men, in unity one with another and with
the meetings they belong to, with a few exceptions
respecting unity one with another - harmony
is generally witnessed in their labours for
Truth's honor. —

That they are in good measure careful to rule
their houses well - and to bring up their families
as queried, but not without some exceptions - and
a general concern to be examplary themselves.

That they are generally concerned to preserve
peace in families and in the Church - to maintain
the discipline - not to screen their families therefrom
and to administer justice: - Sundry salutary
and impressive remarks were made thereupon

calling the attention of friends to the importance of living clean and blameless lives in the fear of the Lord — that the ministry be preserved and stand in the spirituality and simplicity and power of the Gospel of Christ — that we keep our first love, bearing fruit to the praise of the Lord.

The Committee to visit subordinate meetings &c verbally report, that they have paid some attention to their appointment, which has been to their satisfaction, trusting their labours have been well received. —

This meeting believing that a continuation of christian care over subordinate meetings, and individuals, as circumstances may require, through the agency of a Committee, appoint the following friends to that service —

Thomas Jones, John Meader, John Wilbur, Thomas Anthony, James Tucker, John D. Lang, Charles F. Coffin, John Warren, Abraham Shearman, Rowland Greene, Seth Kelly, John Page, Francis Taber, Moses H. Beede, Thomas Howland, John Brown, Paul Taber, Benjamin Fry, and David Buffum — Mary Davis, Anna A. Jenkins, Susan Howland, Sarah Tucker, Hannah Dennis, Elizabeth Meader, Anne McComber, Elizabeth Wing, Mary A. Collins, Mary B. Allen — Hannah Collins, Ruth Bassett, Joanna Meader, Martha Meader, Lydia Breed, who are desired to pay such attention to the appointment as shall appear necessary, and report to this meeting next Year. —

Received the following report from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting — to wit —

By the accounts from the Quarterly Meetings we are informed —

That Salem has united with Seabrook Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Newell Ordway; and with Weare Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Alice Page — That Sandwich has united with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Thomas Akin to the station of an Elder —

That Smithfield has united with Bolton Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ruth Holder to the same station.

That Vassalborough has united with Unity Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Asa Jones, and Lydia R. Winslow, and with Vassalboro' Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Jacob Partridge and Moses Hawkes to the station of Elders; with China Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Eli Jones, and with Vassalborough in approving the public ministry of David Dudley; and that Dover has united with Dover Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Abigail M. Jones. —

The Committee to have the oversight of the Meeting report attention thereto and that they have not observed but that the several settings have been seasons of favour.—

A Committee on the subject of removing the select Yearly Meeting held at Portsmouth on 7th day, to Newport have had a conference together and are united in judgement that such a removal would be advisable — and that it should commence at 9. o'clock morning on 7th day succeeding the 2d 6th day in the 6th month, as heretofore — and also that a meeting be held in the afternoon on that day. —

Having finished the business which has come before us in much unanimity and brotherly regard, under a grateful sense of the goodness of the Lord in tenderly putting forth and going before his dependant people, we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year, if permitted.

Rowland Greene Clk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and held at Newport on Rhode Island for New-England, the 13th of the 6th mo. 1840.—

Accounts from the several quarterly Meetings, constituting this Meeting, being received, the Representatives therein named are for

Rhode Island,

Thomas Anthony, David Buffum, Nicholas Congdon, Andrew Nichols, Benjamin Buffington, John Meader, Phebe Congdon, Anna A. Jenkins, Elizabeth Meader, Lydia Wilbur, and Elizabeth Wing.—

For Salem,

Jonathan Nichols, Enoch Breed, Nathan Page, Lydia Breed, Sophrona Page, and Rachel B. Holder.—

For Sandwich,

Seth Kelley, Francis Tabor, Prince Gardner, Abraham Russell, Isaac Lawrance, Ruth Davis, Barbara Gifford, Alice Rogers and Mary Macy.—

For Falmouth,

William Cobb. Nathan Pope,

John W. Minot – William Purington, Thoma
Jones, Phebe Cobb, Hannah Purington, and
Lydia Allen. —

For Smithfield, James N. Fry, Silas Earle
Moses Farnum, Mary B. Allen Ruth
Holder and Hannah Holder. —

For Vassalborough,
Clement Ratcliff, Samuel
Taylor Jr. – Cornelius Douglass, Eli
Jones, Joanna Meader, Sybil Jones,
and Ann Jones. —

For Dover,
John D. Lang, Joseph Varney,
Mary T. Brown and Alice Rathbun,
who are all present except one for
whose absence an accepted reason
was assigned. —

We have at this time the acceptable
company of our friends, Joseph John Gurney,
from Great Britian, Richard Mott – from
Purchase, N. York and Henry Hinsdale
from the City of N. York, companion to our
friend Joseph John Gurney, and John

P. Balderson from Baltimore - whose Certificates of Concurrence, from their respective Meetings with them in their present religious engagement, have been read to our satisfaction and acceptance. —

We appoint our friends Abraham Shearman Jr. James Tucker, Nicholas Congdon, Clement Ratcliff, Josiah Shove, Seth Kelley Jonathan Dennis, Moses Farnum, Mary Tabor Hannah Collins, Anna Purington, Mary Wing and Alice Rogers to have the oversight of this, and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting and to report to a future setting of this Meeting.

After entering upon the state of Society and proceeding as far as the second query inclusive, under the Canopy, we humbly acknowledge, of the Father's love; a adjourned to meet at half past three o'clock this afternoon. —

Afternoon, met according to adjournment — The Representatives all present as in the morning -

They having conferred together in relation to Clerks, propose the reappointment of Rowland Greene for Clerk and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being approved by the Meeting, they are accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing. —

The remaining queries and corresponding answers have been read, and the following is a summary of the the answers. — viz.

Ministers and Elders are generally careful to attend their meetings for worship and discipline, and to encourage such of their families in these duties as are suitable.

Ministers in the exercise of their gifts are careful to wait for divine ability and are not burdensome.

The lives and conversation of ministers and elders are in a good degree clean and blameless among men, and, with few exceptions, in unity one with another - and with the meetings they belong to - and harmony in labour for Truth's honor generally witnessed.

They are generally concerned to rule their houses well and to bring up their families in plainness as Truth requires, and to be examplary in these respects themselves.

Mostly careful to be peace makers in families and in the Church, and to maintain the discipline - not to screen their families therefrom - and to administer justice as required. -

Sundry remarks were made thereupon, especially on the inconsistency of the want of love and harmony in the family and flock of Christ - and friends were exhorted to prize, and come into that blessed gospel state, "I in them and Thou in me, that they may be made perfect in One." which were salutary and acceptable to us.

Adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock on 4th day morning the 17th instant. -

Forth day morning the 17th friends again met pursuant to adjournment.

The representatives being called are now all present. -

The Committee appointed last year to visit subordinate Meetings &c. made the following report, to wit,

To the Select Yearly Meeting -

The Committee appointed last year to visit subordinate meetings and individuals as circumstances might require and way open for, report that they have, from time to time, given attention to their appointment, and have laboured in the ability that they

have been favoured with, for the preservation
of the harmony and unity of the Body in
christian fellowship. They believe it to be their
duty to inform the meeting that they have
been brought seriously to apprehend that
some among us by not keeping sufficiently
low and single in their minds to the
pointings of Truth, and the preserving influ
thereof, are in danger of entertaining feeling
towards their Brethren which will have a
tendency to lead them off from the
blessed unity and love which are essential
to the peace and prosperity of the Church.
And we believe that further care throug
a Committee is still called for.

On behalf of the Committee
Rowland Greene.
Elizabeth Wing.

Newport, 15th of 6th mo }
1840 — }

Which is accepted. —

The Meeting being again introduced
into a feeling concern for the preservation
of love and christian fellowship among
us, and that every thing calculated to scatter
and divide in Israel may be seasonably suppressed we
appoint, John Warren, Rowland Greene,
Abraham Shearman Jr. Thomas Anthony
Thomas Jones, Nathan Page, Joseph Tuttle,

John Meader, John D. Lang, James Tucker Samuel Taylor Jr. Seth Kelley, David Buffum Clement Ratcliff, John Brown, John Osborne, Allen Wing; — Lydia Breed, Elizabeth Wing Ruth Davis, Alice Rathbun, Mary B. Allen Joanna Meader, Elizabeth Meader, Anna A. Jenkins Hannah Collins, Mary Howland Sarah P. Tuttle, Sophronia Page, Hannah Gould Jr. Mary Taber, Mary Davis, Ann Jones, Susan Howland and Hannah Dennis, a Committee to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals as circumstances may demand ~~and~~ way open for, and to labour in love and in the meekness of wisdom for the accomplishment of these important purposes and to report to this meeting next year.

Received the following report from the Clerk of the yearly Meeting - to wit -

By accounts received at this time, from the Quarterly Meetings, we are informed,

That Rhode Island has united with South Kingston Mo. Mg in the appointment of Timothy C. Collins to the station of an Elder -

That Salem has united with Sea-brook Mo. Mg in approving the public ministry of Moses Huntington Jr. -

That Sandwich has united with Nan-
in the appointment of Prince Gardner to the station of an Elder.
and with with Sandwich mo. mtg
-tucket Mo. Mg in approving the public ministry of Samuel Gifford.

That Falmouth has united with Durham Mo. M.g in the appointment of Caleb Hawkes to the station of an Elder—

That Smithfield has united with Uxbridge Mo. M.g in the appointment of Phebe S. Marsh to the same station—

And that Vassalborough has united with Litchfield Mo. M.g in the appointment of William Farr. and with Unity Mo. Mg. in the appointment of Joseph Taber, Elizabeth Gilkey, and Elizabeth Cole — and with Sidney Mo. M.g in the appointment of Joseph Taylor, and Phebe Taylor to the station of Elders.—

The Committee to have the oversight of Meetings report that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing special to remark.—

Having been ~~mercifully~~ favoured in our several sittings with the overshadowing Wing of divine regard, and renewedly extended to us this morning, we have transacted the business in harmony, and in humble dependance upon the Holy Head of the Church; have now brought it to a close, with feelings of gratitude and praise; proposing to meet again, on this Island, at the usual time, next year, if the Lord permit.—

Rowland Greene, Clk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode-Island, for New-England, the 12th of the 6th mo. 1841. —

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being presented, the Representatives therein named are, for,

Rhode Island,

Rowland Greene, Thomas Anthony John Meader, David Buffum, Andrew Nichols Edmund Chace, Elizabeth Wing, Anna A. Jenkins, Mary Shove, Susanna Greene, and Elizabeth Peckham.

Salem,

Charles Chace, Estes Newhall, Robert Brown, Mathew Purington, Enoch Breed, Lydia Breed, Sophronia Page and Susan L. Brown,

Sandwich,

Barnabus Taber, Prince Gardner James Tucker, Russel Davis, Lemuel Gifford Warren Gifford, Abraham Russel, Huldah Gifford, Susan Howland, Ruth Davis, Mary Taber, Alice Rogers and Susanna Gardner

Falmouth,

Thomas Jones, William Purington, Nathan Pope, Stephen Jones, Lydia Allen, Eunice Jones, and Anna Purington. —

Smithfield, John Osborne, Silas Earle, Sarah Clapp, and Hannah Holder. —

Vassalborough, Clement Ratcliff, Samuel Taylor Jr. Moses Hawks, Edmund Cates. William Farr, Anna Cates, and Sybil Jones.

Dover, John D. Lang, Joseph Tuttle, Ann Elmira Lang and Mira Rathbun.

Who are all present except 5. for the absence of three of whom satisfactory reason have been given.

We have at this time the acceptable company of our friends Thomas and Elizabeth Robson from Great Britain, whose certificates of concurrence with them in their religious Visit to this Country, from their meetings at home, were read to our satisfaction in this Meeting last Year. -

Have also the acceptable company of our friends, Joseph Bowne, Zeno Carpenter Amos Battey, Huldah Hoag, and Nicholas Battey, from New-York Yearly Meeting. Susan R. Smith from Burlington, Sarah Hilman and Elizabeth Pittfield from Philad.a and Eli and Phebe C. Hanes from Redstone - Pennsylvania.

Richard H. Thomas from Baltimore - and Jeremiah Hubbard from Indiania with certificates of concurrence with them in their present religious engagements, from their respective

Meetings which have been read to our satisfaction.

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins in a weighty and impressive manner laid before this meeting a concern which had for a number of years impressed her mind to perform a visit in gospel love to the Yearly Meetings of friends in London and ~~Ireland~~ Dublin and to ~~hold~~ meetings with friends and others, as her mind in the truth may be led to within their limits — and produced certificates of concurrence with her therein from the Monthly and Quarterly Meeting of which she is a member whereupon the meeting was introduced into a deep and feeling consideration of the subject, which resulted in a full expression of unity and sympathy with her therein leaving her at liberty to pursue the important concern as truth may direct — and we appoint our friends, John D. Lang Rowland Greene, Samuel Taylor Jr. John Meader John Osborne, Lydia Breed. Elizabeth Wing Susan Howland, Elizabeth Meader — Ruth Davis, Mary B. Allen and John Warren to prepare a certificate expressive of our unity & christian sympathy with her ~~[illegible]~~ in this concern and present to a future sitting of this meeting

Adjourned to meet at 3, o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Friends met according to adjournment.

The Representatives having conferred together regarding Clerks, propose, Rowland Greene for Clerk, and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, and this Meeting approving thereof, they are accordingly appointed to those services for the year ensuing

The Queries have been read, with corresponding answers from each of our Quarterly Meetings — The following is a summary thereof —

Answer 1st. It appears that Ministers and Elders are careful to attend their meetings for divine worship — also to attend those for discipline, encouraging such of their families to this duty as are suitable

" 2nd: Ministers in the exercise of their gifts are concerned, in good measure to wait for divine ability and are generally preserved from being burdensome.

" 3rd " The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders are in a good measure clean and blameless among men — in a good degree of unity one with another and the meetings to which we belong, is preserved, but not so fully by some as would be desirable — and a concern mostly maintained to labour harmoniously together for Truth's honour. —

Answer 4th— Generally concerned to rule their houses well and to bring up their families in plainness and moderation as truth requires (with an exception in one account regard- plainness in children) and to be examplary in these respects themselves

" 5th— In a good degree careful to be peace makers in the families and in the Church, and to maintain the Discipline, not screening their own families therefrom, and to administer justice as faithful servants.—

The deviations noticed in the above Answers have caused concern in many minds, and remarks made in connection therewith which it is to be desired may prove salutary to us and promotive of Cause of Truth.—

We appoint our friends Abraham Shearman Jr. David Buffum, Nathan Pope Joseph Metcalf, Estes Newhall, Allen Wing Jonathan Dennis, Anna Shove, Mary Taber, Hannah Gould Jr. Susan Ann Buffum and Susan Gardner, to take the over sight of the Yearly Meeting during the several settings thereof; and report at a future setting of this meeting.—

Adjourned to meet on 5th day next the 17th inst. at 8 o'clock in the morning.

Fifth day morning the 17th Friends met pursuant to adjournment.—

The Representatives being called are present as at our first sitting.

The Committee to prepare a Certificate for our friend Anna A. Jenkins produced the following — viz

To Friends within the limits of the Yearly Meetings of London and Ireland,

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend Anna A. Jenkins, in a weighty and impressive manner spread before this meeting a concern which had long accompanied her mind to attend the Yearly Meetings of London and Ireland, to visit in Gospel love such of the meetings within their limits as way may open for; and also to appoint meetings among Friends and others, should her mind be drawn to that service. Under, we trust, a precious covering of Divine love our minds were introduc into near sympathy and tender feeling for our dear friend in this religious engagement; and her concern was

✓ Gideon C Smith.

✓ C R Tucker ✓

freely and fully united with by this meeting and she encouraged to pursue it, as Truth may direct.

In liberating our beloved sister for this weighty service we desire that she may experience from day to day the preservation and support of the Great Head of the Church, who has seen meet to call for this act of dedication.

We recommend her to those whom she may visit as a minister in unity and good esteem with us - sound in word and doctrine and her life and conversation correspondent therewith.

We commend her to your kind attention, fervently craving that He who putteth forth his own, and goeth before them, may graciously direct and sustain her, and bless her labours of love among you, and enable her, when she shall have accomplished this work to which she is called, to return in safety to her family and friends with the reward of peace. which was approved and xxx directed to be signed on behalf of this meeting by the Clerk -

The Committee appointed last year to visit to visit subordinate Meetings [illegible] produced the following Report, viz -

To the Select Yearly Meeting -

The Committee appointed last year to visit subordinate Meeting &c have paid some attention to their appointment and have laboured, as way has opened, for the preservation of love and harmony in the Society, and we think it right to suggest that it is our sense and judgment that further Care on this subje is called for - which we submit -

On behalf of the Committee
John Osborne -
Mary Howland.

Newport. 6th mo. 16. 1841.

Which being satisfactory to the Meeting is accepted - and said Committee are reappointed to that service for the year ensuing, except our friend Seth Kelly, deceased, and our friends John Brown and Joanna Meader who have removed out of the limits of our Yearly Meeting, who are desired to labour for the restoration of peace, where ever it may be wanting among us, and way may open for in the Truth - and to report to this meeting next year.

By a minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting we are informed - that Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Susan-Ann Buffum and Edward King to the station of Elders - and with Providence Monthly Meeting in approving the public mini of Samuel Boyd Tobey -

That Falmouth has united with Windham Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of Lydia Allen and with Durham Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Maria B. Jones to the station of an Elder. - that

Vassalborough has united with Sidney Monthly Meeting in approving the public ministry of George Richardson, and with Litchfield Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Charlotte Wingate to the station of an Elder.

Our friend Abraham Shearman Jr. on behalf of the Committee to the oversight of Meetings, reports that they have conferred together on that subject and have nothing special to remark to the Meeting.

Having been enabled through the continued mercy of our heavenly Father to transact the business, which has been brought before us, in much unanimity and love, with feelings of gratitude and dependance on the Great Head of the Church, we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island at the usual time next year, if the Lord permit —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
By Rowland Greene, Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode-Islan for New-England, the 11th of 6th mo. 1842.

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being received the Representatives therein named are for

Rhode-Island, Thomas Anthony, Rowland Greene, Jonathan Dennis, Timothy C. Collins, Edward Wing, Edmund Chace, Perez Peck, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joanna Peck, Elizabeth Wing, Amy Knowles, Mary Shove, and Hannah Dennis.—

Salem, Jonathan Nichols, Mathew Purington, Nathan Page, Abijah Johnston, Moses Huntington, John Page, Lydia Breed, Hannah Page and Sophronia Page.—

Sandwich, Paul Wing, Isaac Lawrance Francis Taber, Prince Gardner, Samuel Slade, Susan Howland, Hannah Slade, Rachel Swain, and Elizabeth Mitchell—

Falmouth, Thomas Jones, Nathan Pope, William Purington, Lemuel Jones, John W. Minot, and Anna Purington.—

Smithfeild, James N. Fry, John Osborne, Ruth Fry, and Mary B. Allen..—

Vassalborough, Cornelius Douglass, John Warren Clement Ratcliff, Joseph Taber, Ann Jones and Sybel Jones.

Dover, Benjamin Fry, John D. Lang, Ann Almiria Lang and Abigail M. Jones.—

Fairfield, Samuel Taylor Jr. Moses Wardsworth, George Richardson, Abigail Farr, and Esther Wing.

Who being called are all present except four, for the absence of two satisfactory reasons were assigned.—

We have at this time the acceptable Company of our friends, Stephen Grelet, from Burlington, N.J. and Henry Hinsdale from the City of New-York, companion to our aforesaid Friend— — Anna Thornburg, from Indiana and Thomas Hill from the same State, companion to Anna Thornburg.—
Benoni Sprague from Elba within the limits of New-York Yearly Meeting, whose Certificates of Unity with them in their present religious engagements from their respective Meetings have been read to our satisfaction.

We appoint our friends Estes Newhall, Joseph Varney, John Osborne, Nicholas Congdon, Joseph Metcalf, Nathan Pope, James N. Fry, Jonathan Dennis, Mary Wing, Hannah Collins, Ann Almira Lang, Anna Purington, Joanna Peck and Abigail Farr, to have the Oversight of this, and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting; and are requested to report to a future setting of this Meeting. —

Adjourned to 3. o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon Friends met pursuant to adjournment. —

The Representatives being called are Present as in the morning. —

They having confered together regarding Clerks report that they were united in proposing Rowland Greene for Clerk and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being approved by the Meeting they are appointed as such for the Year ensuing. —

The Queries and Answers from each of our Quarterly Meetings hereunto belonging, have been read and the following is a Summary thereof, viz—

Answer 1.st Ministers and Elders are careful to attend Meetings for divine Worship and to bring their families with them — also to attend meetings for discipline, encouraging such of their families to this duty as are suitable.

Answer 2nd Ministers, it appears, are generally careful to wait for divine ability in the exercise of their gifts, and are, in good measure, preserved from being burdensome.

— 3rd The lives and conversation of Ministers and Elders are generally clean and blameless among men; mostly careful to preserve unity one with another, and with the Meetings they belong to, and generally concerned to labour together harmoniously for the honor of Truth.

— 4th There is a general care to rule their houses well, and to bring up their families in plainness an moderation, in a good degree, as Truth requires; and to be good examples herein themselves.—

— 5th A concern mostly prevails to be peace makers in families and in the Church, and to maintain the Discipline, not to screen their families therefrom, and to administer Justice.—

Adjourned to 5th day next, the 16th instant at 8 o'clock in the morning —

5th day, the 16th — Friends met pursuant to adjournment —

The representatives being called are present as at our last meeting —

The Committee continued last year to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals, made the following report, namely,

To the select Yearly Meeting—

The Committee to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals, as circumstances should require, Report, that they have been exercised in that Concern, and paid attention thereto, as way has opened for; and we are induced to believe that the further Care of this Meeting by a Committee for the preservation of love and unity among our members, is called for; which we submit to the judgment of the Meeting.—

Signed on behalf of the
Committee, By
Thomas Jones
Ruth Davis.—

Newport, 6th mo. 13th
1842.

With a tender Concern for the welfare of our religious Society; and a desire that love and unity, and their blessed fruits may be preserved among us, and that all difficulties that may arise within our borders may be seasonably removed, we appoint our friends, John Warren, Rowland Greene—Thomas Anthony—David Buffum—Nathan Pope—Thomas Jones—Abraham Shearman Jr. Lindley M. Hoag—*Benjamin Fry—Paul Wing—Joseph Metcalf*—Perez Peck—

Allen Wing - Samuel Taylor Jr. - Joseph Tuttle - Samuel Boyd Tobey - Clement Ratcliff - John Osborne - James N. Fry. - Mattiah Gifford - John D. Lang. - Estes Newhall. John Page. Jonathan Dennis - 24 - Mary B. Allen - Mary Wing - Elizabeth Wing - Huldah Gifford - Alice Rathbun. - Elizabeth Meader - Hannah Collins - Ann Jones. - Ann Almira Lang. - Olive Wing - Rachel Swain - Lydia Breed. - Miriam Newhall. - Hannah Purington - Mary Taber - Ruth Davis - Anna D. Wing - Hannah Dennis - Susan Howland and Abigail Farr - who are desired to labor in this Concern in the meekness of wisdom and love as ability may be afforded, and way open for - and report to this meeting next year. -

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By a minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting we are informed that Salem Quarterly Meeting has united with Weare Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Nathan G. Chase Jr. to the station of an Elder - That Smithfield Quarterly Meeting has united with Uxbridge Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Richard Battey, and with Bolton Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ruth Fry, to the station of Elders. That Dover Quarterly Meeting has united with Dover Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Lydia Thompson to the same station - and that Fairfield Quarterly Meeting has united with Litchfield Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Rachel Deane to a similar station

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The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of the several settings of this and the Yearly Meeting at large, report that they have attended to their appointment - and that the several settings of each Meeting have been seasons of favour. —

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Having accomplished the business which has come before us in much love and uninterrupted harmony, under the influence, we humbly acknowledge, of the blessed Head of the Church, who has graciously condescended to be near us, a ready Helper in the needful time, with feelings of gratitude and praise, we conclude, proposing to meet again on this Island, at the usual time next year, if the Lord permit. —

Signed on behalf of the
Meeting. By

Rowland Greene. Clerk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport, on Rhode Island, for New England the 10th of 6th mo. 1843. —

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being presented the Representatives therein named are, for

Rhode Island,

Thomas Anthony, John Meader David Buffum, Rowland Greene, Allen Wing, Edmond Chace, Hannah Dennis, Anna A Jenkins, Mary Shove, and Elizabeth Peckham.

Salem,

Abijah Johnston, Estes Newhall, Edmond Gove, Nathan Page, Sophronia Page, Alice Page and Elizabeth Gove. —

Sandwich,

Paul Wing, Francis Taber, Jonathan Swain, James Tucker, Abraham Shearman Jr. - Ruth Davis, Hannah Slade, Barbara Gifford, Mary Mace, and Mary Wing. —

Falmouth,

Stephen Jones, John W. Minot, Nathan Pope, Eunice Jones, and Lydia Allen. —

Smithfield,
James N. Fry, Daniel Clapp,
Ruth Fry, and Sarah Clapp. —

Vassalborough,
Edmond Cates, Stephen Jones Jr.
James Jones, Cornelius Duglass, Anna Cates,
Sophia Jones, and Rachel W. Jones. —

Dover,
John D. Lang, Joshua Meader,
Olney Thompson, Ann Almira Lang.
and Lydia Thompson. —

Fairfield,
Charles F. Coffin, Samuel Taylor Jr.
William Farr, Charlotte Wingate, Euni
W. Farr and Lydia Taylor. —

Who being called are all present, except 5, for the absence of 3 of whom satisfactory reasons were assigned. —

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We have at this time the company of our friends Isaac Thorn, John Hill, ~~and~~ John Thorn, companion to Isaac Thorn from the Yearly Meeting of New York. — Ezra Comfort, Ebenezer Roberts, Samuel Cope, and Moses Baily from

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting - Benjamin Hoyle, and William Green, companion to Benjamin Hoyle, from that of Ohio. whose certificates from the several meetings to which they belong, showing the concurrence of the said meetings with them in their present religious engagements have been read. —

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We appoint our friends Perez Peck, Estes Newhall, John Osborne, Paul Wing, William Farr, Joseph Metcalf, Joanna Peck, Mary A. Collins, Mary Taber and Mary Wing to take the oversight of this and the ensuing sittings of the Yearly Meeting - and to report to a future sitting of this meeting. -

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Our beloved friend, Anna A. Jenkins, returned, at this time, the Certificate granted her in 1841. having measurably and peacefully accomplished the concern therein set forth. with a returning certifica from the Yearly Meeting of Ireland, expressi of their cordial acceptance of her visit and gospel labours among them. — And, at the same time, in an impressive and weighty manner informed this meeting that she feels her mind drawn again to visit in gospel love friends and others in Great-Britain and Ireland, and in some parts of the European Continent, with which concern, much unity and sympathy having been freely expressed by the meeting, we appoint our friends, John D. Lang, Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Osborne, Abraham Shearman Jr. Susan Howland Mary Wing, Mary B. Allen, Hannah Collins and Lydia Breed, to prepare a Certificate for her on the occasion and present to a future sitting of this meeting.

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Adjourned to 3 o'clock this after-noon.

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Afternoon, - Friends met pursuant to adjournment. -

The Representatives inform, that having conferred together respecting Clerks, they are united in proposing Rowland Greene for Clerk, and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which is approved and they are accordingly appointed to those services for the year ensuing.

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The Queries have been read and corresponding answers from each our Quarterly Meetings.

The following is a summary thereof.

Answer 1. Ministers and Elders are careful to attend meetings for worship, and to take their families with them, also those for Discipli encouraging such of their families to their duty as are suitable. —

" 2. Ministers in the exercise of their gifts appear careful to wait for divine ability, and are preserved from being burdonsome. — One account say, "generally from being burdensome".

" 3. Their lives and conversation are in good measure clean and blameless among men - are in unity one with another, and with the meetings they belong to, and harmony in their labours for Truth's honor is witnessed: yet exceptions are noticed in a few in relation to unity and harmonious labour. -

" 4. There is an endeavour manifested by them to rule their houses well, and bring up their families in Plainness as queried, and to be good examples in those respects themselves - yet it appears that more care on those points, in some instances is called for. -

" 5- A concern to be peace makers in families and in the Church is in a good degree preserved amongst them generally also to maintai the Discipline, not to screen their own families therefrom, and to administer Justice. —

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Adjourned to 8 o'clock on 5th day morning the 15th inst.

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Fifth day morning the 15th

Friends met according to adjournment.

The Representatives being called are all present except 4. —

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The committee appointed at our last sitting to prepare a Certificate for our beloved friend, Anna Mary Jenkins, presented the following — viz. To friends within the limits of London and Ireland Yearly Meetings.

Dear Friends.

Our beloved friend, Anna Mary Jenkins, informed this Meeting that she had been mercifully enabled, through the extension of holy help to attend the Yearly Meetings of Ireland and London last year, and also to accomplish such other religious service in your land as she believed to be required of her at that time; and that she was then favoured with feelings

W C Taber ✓
E J Earle
John D Long
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of sweet peace, to return in safety to her dear family and friends.

She now, in a very humble, weighty and impressive manner, spread before us a renewed prospect of service, in the love of the Gospel, as way may open for it, in Great Britain and Ireland among friends and others; and likewise in some places on the Continent of Europe, especially with those in religious profession with us; and to appoint meetings as her mind may be drawn thereto from time to time.—

This meeting was introduced into very tender, christian sympathy with our beloved Sister in view of the sacrifice that she is again called upon to make in leaving her home and friends in discharge of her religious duty in a distant land; and after a season of solid and deliberate consideration, under, as we humbly believe, the canopy of ancient love and goodness, we were fully united in liberating her to the work assigned her ~~her~~ in the service of our Divine Master; and with a very cordial feeling and expression of unity and love she was encouraged to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct.

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In furnishing our dear friend with a certificate for so weighty and important a service, we feel it right to say that she is a Minister in unity, and beloved by us, sound in word and doctrine, and exemplary in life and conversation.-

We affectionately recommend her to your kind attention and regard, fervently craving that Israel's unslumbering Shepherd may be at all times very near to preserve her; and that, under the directing influence of his spirit, she witness from day to day her way to be made plain before her, and that when her Gospel labours abroad shall have been accomplished she may be restored to us in safety with the reward of peace."

which having the full approbation of the Meeting, the Clerk is directed to sign the same on behalf of the Meeting:

The Committee under appointment for last year to visit subordinat meetings and individuals as circumstances should require, and to labour for the preservation of love and harmony in the Society, made the following report- viz-

To

To the select Yearly Meeting now setting

We the Committee appointed last year to labour for the preservation of love and unity in the Society as ability might be afforded & way open for, report that we have attended to the important service confided to us, and have extended such care and advice as we believed were called for; and we humbly trust with some benefit - and we are united in judgment that a similar care is still called for from this meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Benjamin Fry

Newport. 6th mo 13. 1842.

Mary Wing.

which is satisfactory. and the Meeting is united in continuing the same committee, who are desired to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals as they may in the wisdom of Truth find necessary, and to labour in feelings of christian regard for the preservation of love and unity among our members, and to report to this meeting next year

Recd. the following minute from Clerk of the Yearly Meeting viz.

We are informed by accounts from their respective Quarterly Meetings, that, Rhode Island has united with Rhode Island Mo. Mg in the appointment of Ann Hopkins: that Salem has united with Seabrook Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Abigail Pinley, and that Smithfield has united with Uxbridge Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Ruth Earle to the station of Elders, respectively. — That Falmouth has united with Durham Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Phebe J. Douglas. That Vassalborough has united with China Mo. Meeting in approving the public Ministry of Rachel W. Jones: and with the same monthly Meeting in the appointment of Jonathan Estes to the Station of an Elder; and that Fairfield has united with St. Albans Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Martha Magoon; with Litchfield Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Mary B. Pinkham, and also with the same Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Eunice Farr to the station of an Elder.—

The Committee to the oversight of Meetings report. that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing further to remark. —

Having accomplished the business which has come before us in a comfortablee degree of harmony and satisfaction, under the influence we humbly trust, of the Holy Head of the Church, we conclude, proposing to meet again at this place next year if the Lord permit. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

Rowland Greene, Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island for New-England, the 15th of 6th mo. 1844.—

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings being received, the Representatives therein named are

For Rhode Island,

Thomas Howland, Nicholas Congdon, Edmund Chase, John Meader, Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Lydia C. Smith, Mary Shove, Elizabeth Peckham, Ann Hopkins, Elizabeth Meader, and Hannah Gould.—

For Salem.—

Mathew Purington, Edward Gove, Jonathan Nichols, Abijah Johnston, John Page, Lydia Breed, Sophronia Page, and Elizabeth Gove.—

For Sandwich,

Barnabus Taber, Abraham Russel, Malliah Gifford, Joseph Davis, Samuel Slade, Susan Howland, Mary Wing, Mary Taber, Alice Rogers and Ruth Davis.—

For Falmouth,

Thomas Jones, Nathan Douglass, Nathan Pope, Elisha Jones, Caleb Hawkes, and Lydia Allen.—

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For Vassalbourgh,
John Warren, Joseph Taber, Jonathan Estes, Cornelius Douglass, Ann Jones, Anna Cates, Mary Estes, and Deborah B. Warren. —

For Dover.
Joseph Varney, John D. Lang, Ann Almira Lang, and Abigail M. Jones.

For Fairfield.
Samuel Taylor Jr. - William Farr, Lydia Taylor, and Eunice W. Farr. —

* For Smithfield.
James N. Fry, Rowland Rathbun, Richard Battey, Mary B. Allen, Alice Rathbun, and Ruth Earle. —

All present except three, for whose absence satisfactory reasons were offered.

We have at this time the company of our friends Joseph Bowne, Joseph Haviland, and Charles Taber from the Yearly Meeting of New-York - Jerad Patterson from Indiana, and Josiah Morris, an Elder, companion to J. Patterson from the same place - and Joseph Edgerton from the Yearly Meeting of Ohio. whose certificates from their respective meetings have been read to our satisfaction. -

We appoint our friends, Thomas Howland, Estes Newhall, Maltiah Gifford, John Osborne, Paul Taber, John Page, Jonathan Dennis, Edmond Cates, Mary Wing, Ann Almira Lang. Ann Hopkins, Hannah Collins and Mary Estes. to take the oversight of this and the ensuing settings of the Yearly Meeting, and report to a future setting of this meeting.—

The answers to the Queries from our several Quarterly Meetings having been read at this time, the Clerk is requested to prepare a summary thereof and present to a future setting of this meeting.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock on third day morning the 18th instant.—

Third day, the 18th Friends met pursuant to adjournment.—

The Representatives proposing Rowland Greene for Clerk, and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being approved by the Meeting they are appointed to those services for the ensuing year.—

The Representatives are present as before —

Our beloved friend Lyndley Murray Hoag very feelingly informed this meeting that for several years past his mind has been impressed with a prospect of visiting in Gospel love, Friends and others in Great Britain and Ireland, and also some places on the Continent of Europe, and that now he believes it right for him to move in this important Concern; which after deliberate and weighty consideration, resulted in a full and free expression of unity and sympathy with him therein, desiring his preservation in the fear of the Lord. —

He having produced Certificates from his respective Monthly, and Quarterly Meeting, manifesting their full approbation of the concern and sympathy with him therein, leaving him at liberty to pursue the prospect as Truth may direct, whereupon we appoint, Samuel B. Toby, John Osborne, Abraham Shearman Jr. John D. Lang, Thomas Howland, Stephen Jones Jr. Samuel Jones, Thomas Anthony, John Warren, and Samuel Taylor Jr, to prepare a Certificate for him and present it to a future sitting of this meeting. —

Adjourned to half past 7 o'clock on 5th day morning the 20th —

Fifth day morning the 20t, instant.-
Friends met according to Adjournment.-

The Representatives being calle
are all present as at our last setting.-

A Summary of the Answers to the Queries was produced at this time, read, and considered, which led to sundry pertinent remarks, calculated to incite to renewed faithfulness in support of our several, Christian Testimonies.—

The committee appointed at our last setting to prepare a Certificate for our friend Lyndley Mc. Hoag, in relation to his concern, produced the following which being read and deliberately considere is freely united with, and the Clerk is directed to sign the same on our behalf.—

To Friends in great Britian and Ireland and where these may come.

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend, Lyndley Murry Hoag, in a weighty and feeling manner spread before this meeting a concern, which for several years had impressed his mind, and with increased clearness of latter time, that it was required

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of him, by the Great Head of the Church, to stand resigned to visit, in the love of the Gospel, Friends and others in Great Britian and Ireland, and also, in some places on the Continent of Europe.

This important religious engagement received the deliberate and solid consideration of this meeting; and under, as we trust, a precious covering of divine Good, we were brought into tender sympathy with our dear friend, and the unity of this meeting was fully expressed with him in this weighty Concern, and he was left at liberty to pursue it as Truth may direct.—

In thus liberating our beloved brother to the work and service to which we apprehend he is called by our divine Master, we commend him to you as a Minister of the Gospel, with whom we are fully united— sound in word and doctrine and exemplary in life and conversation.

We fervently desire for him that he may witness from day to day the Good Shepherd to go before him; that he may hear and humbly follow His voice, and under His Holy Guidance may experience preservation, and accomplish the work assigned him to the honour and praise of Him who alone can qualify for service in His Church.—

We recommend him to your affectionate sympathy and christian regard, earnestly craving that, if consistent with the divine will, when his services in a distant land shall have been completed he may be restored in safety to us with the reward of peace -

Signed by direction, and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held at Newport, on Rhode Island, for New-England, from the 15th of the 6th month to the 20th of the same inclusive 1844. Rowland Greene, Clerk -

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The Committee under appointment to visit subordinate Meetings be made the following report, namely,

To the select Yearly Meeting
now setting —

The Committee appointed last year to labour in the ability that might be afforded for the restoration and preservation of love an unity amongst us, Report, That we have endeavoured to give attention to the duties of our appointment, under a sense of its weight and importance; and have extended such counsel and advice, as way has opened for, we hope to some degree of benefit. And on sitting down together at the present time, and solidly considering the subjects of our appointment are fully, and we trust, feelingly united in sentiment that further care is needed from this meeting, — On behalf of the Committee

John Warren —
Ann Almira Lang.

Newport 6th mo. 15th.
1844. —

which is satisfactory — And the meeting being sensible that further care, in relation to the harmony and well-being of the Society is called for — with the exception of Lyndley M. Hoag, we appoint the same friends, viz John Warren Rowland Greene, Thomas Anthony, David Buffum, Nathan Pope, Thomas Jones. Abraham Shearman Jr. Perez Peck, Benjamin Fry, Paul Wing, Joseph Metcalf, Allen Wing, Samuel Taylor Jr. Joseph Tuttle, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Clement Ratcliff, John Osborne, James N. Fry, Maltiah Gifford, John D. Lang, Ester Newhall, John Page, Jonathan Dennis, (with the addition of, John Meader, Isaac Lawrance, Olny Thomson,) Mary B. Allen, Mary Wing, Elizabeth Wing, Huldah Gifford, Alice Rathbun, Elizabeth Meader, Hannah Collins, Ann Jones. Ann Almira Lang.

Olive Wing, Rachal Swain, Lydia Breed, Miriam Newhall, Hannah Purington, Mary Taber, Ruth Davis, Anna D. Wing, Hannah Dennis, Susan Howland, and Abigail Farr, to visit subordinate Meetings and individuals as may appear necessary and way open for and to labour in meekness and wisdom as ability may be afforded, for the restoration and preservation of love and harmony in the Society and report to this meeting next year -

We have received the following report from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting - namely, We learn by accounts received at this time from their several Quarterly Meetings, that Salem, has united with Salem Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Enoch Page to the station of an Elder; and with Seabrook Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of William B. Tompson — that Sandwich, has united with Sandwich Mo. Meeting in approving the puplic ministry of Ruth H. Baker, of Yarmouth. — That Falmouth has united with Durham Mo. Meeting in the ap=

pointment of Rachel Jones to the station of an Elder, and in approving the public ministry of Lydia J. Tuttle, and Mary P. Varney. that Smithfield, has united with Uxbridge Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Joel Marsh to the station of an Elder — that Vassalborough has united with China Mo. Meeting in approving the public ministry of Hannah Crossman, and Martha J. Hodges, and in the appointment of John Worth and Mary Estes to the station of Elders; — and with Unity Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Deborah B. Warren to the same station — That Dover has united with the Mo. Meeting of Sandwich, N.H. in the appointment of Susannah J. Basset to the station of an Elder — That Fairfield, has united with Sidney Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Tamar Gifford and with St. Albans, in the appointment of David Douglass to the station of Elders. —

The following is the Summary of the answers before alluded to —

Answer. 1. It appears that Ministers and Elders are careful to attend Meetings for divine Worship, and to bring their families with them — also to attend those for discipline encouraging such of their families thereto as are suitable — yet there are a few exceptions in relation to both branches of the Query; confined mostly to one quarter.

Answer 2. Ministers in the exercise of their Gifts appear careful to wait for divine ability. and are generally preserved from being burdensome.

Answ 3. The lives and conversation of ministers and Elders appear to be in a good degree clean and blameless among men; mostly in unity one with another, and the Meetings they belong to, and generally harmonise togethe in labour for Truths honour.—

Ansr 4. They endeavour to rule their hous well, and to bring up their families in plainness in dress, language & moderation— and to be examplary themselves— yet a shortness in some instances in some of those requisitions is noticed, particularly regarding plainness.—

Ansr— 5. A Concern, it appears, is manifest to promote peace in families and in the Church— to maintain the Disciplin, not to screen their families, and to administe Justice— yet a few exceptions are notic in these particulars. —

The Committee to the oversight meetings report, that they have attended to their appointment, and have nothing particularly to remark.—

The business being brought to a close, we may humbly acknowledge the continued goodness and superintending Care of Israel's Shepherd, and of His life-giving Presence, under which we have been comforted and enabled to accomplish the business to satisfaction, proposing to meet again at this place next year, if the Lord permit—

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Rowland Greene, Clk.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport, on Rhode Island, for New-England, the 14th of 6th mo. 1845. —

Having received Accounts from the several quarterly Meetings the Representatives therein named are, for

Rhode-Island.

Thomas Anthony. John Meader, Rowland Greene — Moses H. Beede — Edmond Chace — Samuel B. Tobey — David Buffum — Ann Hopkins — Mary Shove — Elizabeth Meader — Amy Knowles and Elizabeth Wing. —

Salem —

Estes Newhall — Enoch Page — John Page Abijah Chace — Alice Page — Sophronia Page — and Mary Chace —

Sandwich —

Barnabus Taber — Hezekial Swain — Abraham Russell — Lemuel Gifford — Prince Gardiner — Isaac Lawrance — Elizabeth Mitchell — Huldah Gifford — Ruth Davis — Susan Howland — Ann Macomber — and Rachell Swain —

Falmouth —

Nathan Pope — Thomas Jones — William Purington — Lemuel Jones — Elisha Jones

David Allen - Anna Purington - Lydia Allen - and Phebe Cobb. —

Smithfield -

David Clapp - Moses Farnum - John Osborne - Ruth Fry - Alice Rathbun - and Mary B. Allen. —

Vassalborough -

Clement Ratcliff - Edmund Whitehouse Cornelius Duglass - Paul Taber - Sybil Jones - Deborah B. Warren - Anna Cates - Ann Jones - and Martha Hodges. —

Dover -

John D. Lang - Joseph Tuttle - Sarah D. Tuttle and Abigail M. Hanson. —

Fairfield -

Allen Wing - Samuel Taylor Jr - Joseph Taylor - David Duglass - Olive Wing - Phebe Taylor - and Cloe Duglass. —

who are present except 5 for 4 of whom satisfactory reason were assigned. —

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We have at this time the acceptable company of our beloved Friends John Pease and Isabel Casson from Great Britian - and Samuel Hillis from Philadelphia Yearly Mg companion to our friend John Pease -

Richard Mott — Thomas Willis —
James Jordan — Phebe G. Underhill — &
Drusilla Knowles — from the Yearly Meeting of N. York whose Certificates
from their respective Meetings, expressive
of the unity of their friends at home with
them in their present religious engagements
have been read to our satisfaction and
comfort. —

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We appoint our friends Ester Newha
John Page — Peres Peck — Allen Wing —
Nathan Pope — David Buffum — Rowland
Rathbun — Edmund Whitehouse — Phebe
Cobb — Mary Wing — Cloe Douglass — Ruth
Fry — Ann Hopkins — Deborah B. Warren —
and Anna Turington, to have the over-
sight of Meetings at this time, and report to
a future sitting of this meeting.

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Our beloved friend Anna A.
Jenkins, returned at this time the
Certificates granted her in 1841 & 1843, to perform
a religious Visit in Great-Britian and Irelan
and to some parts on the Continent of Europe
with the grateful acknowledgment of the
goodness of Him, who is the same yesterday
to day and forever, in affording his holy
aid in accomplishing the work assign
her, to the relief and sweet peace of her

own mind — And presented the following returning Certificates which have bee read to our satisfaction and comfort — as expressed by many in the meeting.—

To Providence monthly meeting,
Rhode Island quarterly Meeting and the
Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for
New-England,—

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend Anna Almy Jenkins to whom you granted Certificates, liberating her for the performanc of a religious visit in these parts, having attend our Yearly Meeting, and being now about to depart for England in the prosecution of the service to which she believes herself called:—

We certify on her behalf that her company at this meeting with her Gospel labours — and that her solid deportment has been instruc=tive and edifying.

We desire to commend her to the continued preservation of the Good Shepherd, who putteth forth his own and goeth before them; and are with the salutation of love, your friends.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland, held in Dublin on the 23rd of Fourth month 1842, and by adjournment on the 30th of the same.

Joseph Bewley
Clerk to the meeting this yea

To the monthly Meeting of Providence,
the quarterly meeting of Rhode-Island, and
the Yearly Meeting of New-England,

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend, Anna Almy Jenkins, who attended this Meeting last year, and produced certificates from your respective Meetings, having returned home in the course of the summer, we think it right to certify on her behalf, that her company and services at our Yearly Meeting of 1842 were to the comfort of Friends, and in her visit which was confined to but a small part of the Meetings of Friends in this Country, her ministry was acceptable and edifying.

Desiring her continued dedication to the service of her Lord, and that she may be kept under the safe guidance of the Holy Spirit,

We are with the salutation of love your Friends.

Signed in and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held in London on the 22nd and 23rd of the fifth Month and the 3rd of the 6th month 1843.

Samuel Tuke, Clerk.

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To Providence monthly meeting, Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of ministers and Elders of New-England,

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend, Anna Almy Jenkins has attended this Yearly Meeting, and produced Certificates from you liberating her for a religious visit in these parts – she has informed us that her prospect of service amongst us is now nearly accomplished:

We certify on her behalf, that her company and gospel labours amongst us have been truly acceptable, and her ministry sound and edifying.

We desire for the preservation of this, our dear sister, through any remaining services that may be allotted to her, and that when the time for her full liberation shall have arrived, she may, if consistent with the Divine will, be favoured to return in safety to her family and friends with the reward of peace. We are your friends,—

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders for Ireland, held in Dublin on the 27th Fourth month, and by adjournments on the 4th of 5 month - 1844. –

Joseph Bewley, Clerk to
the Meeting this year.

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From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Eld
held in London on the 20th and by adjournmen
on the 21st and 31st of 5th month 1844. –

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New-England – the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode-Island and Providence Monthly Meeting in that State,

Dear Friends,

Our beloved friend, Anna Almy Jenkins, has informed this meeting that she has been enabled to accomplish the prospect of visiting those in profession with Friends in the South of France, to the satisfaction of her own mind, and also, that having been enabled to accomplish most of the engagements which she had in view, as expressed in her Certificates, she believes the time is not far distant, when she may be permitted, with a peaceful mind, and under a grateful sense of the Lord's mercies, to return to her native land.

We certify, that her company and gospel services have been truly acceptable to us, that she has laboured diligently during her stay in this land, and her ministry has been sound and edifying, and a comfort and encouragement to many.

We part from this dear friend in much love, and in the unity of the Gospel of Christ, commending her to the care of our Heavenly Father, and desiring that she may be restored to her family and friends with the reward of peace.

We remain with the salutation of love, your friends.

Signed by direction and in behalf of the Meeting aforesaid.

Samuel Tuke, Clerk.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon. The meeting assembled according to adjournment — Representatives present as in the morning. —

The Representatives having proposed Rowland Greene for Clerk and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being approved by the meeting, they are appointed to those services for the Year ensuing accordingly. —

The Queries and Answers were read at this time and the state of the Society considered — And under a feeling of solemnity and concern several salutary and impressive remarks were made, which we desire may have place in our minds, particularly on the important subject of Ruling our houses well, and bringing up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock on fifth day morning the 19th instant. —

Fifth day morning the 19th Friends met according to adjournment. —

The Representatives being called are present except four. —

The following summary of the Answers to the Queries was presented and read at this time and adopted and directed to be recorded.

Answer 1. Ministers and Elders are careful to attend their meetings for divine worship

and to bring their families with them -
and generally diligent to attend those
for Discipline, encouraging such of their
families in this duty as are suitable.

Answer 2nd It appears that Ministers in the
exercise of their gifts endeavour to wait
for divine ability - and are in good
measure preserved from being burdensome

— 3rd The lives and conversation of ministers and
Elders are, in good measure, clean and blameless
amongst men - are mostly in unity one
with another, and with the meetings they belong
to, and in a good degree harmonising together
in labour - yet not without some obstruction.

— 4th Generally careful to rule their houses well,
and to bring up their families in plainness
and moderation as truth requires - and to
be examplary in those respects themselves.

— 5th There appears to be a general concern
to preserve peace in families and in the
Church - to maintain the Discipline - not to
screen our their own families therefrom -
and to administer justice. —

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The Committee appointed last year
to visit subordinate meetings &c made
the following Report - viz -

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and
Elders. —

We, your Committee to visit subordinate
meetings and individuals, as by minute

of last year, and to labor as way might open for it, for the restoration and preservation of love and unity amongst us. Report, that we have deeply felt the weight and importance of the concern of the meeting – and while way has not opened for much action as a Committee, yet in an individual capacity we trust there has been from time to time, an extension of care and labour, that has, we apprehend been productive of some benefit – And we think it right to inform the meeting that in our apprehension, its further Care is necessary – which we submit –

Samuel Taylor Jr } on behalf
Hannah Dennis } of the
Newport, 17th of 6th mo. Committee

1845. Adjourned to 8 o'clock, 7th day morning the 21 inst. – 7th day morning 21. Friends met accordingly – Representatives present as above last meeting –

We have been introduced into deep concern and sorrow from the painful circumstance of a Secession from our religious Society – which has taken place, during this Yearly Meeting by a number of our members uniting with those who have heretofore set up separate meetings in a spirit of disaffection and insubordination and have now organised what they call a Yearly Meeting – And a few members of this select meeting, for want, as we believe, of an humble dependance upon the Holy

Spirit, which would have preserved them in unity with their brethren, have joined others in this unjustifiable course – And while we do not apprehend that many in the stations of ministers and Elders will be drawn from the Society – yet we would entreat all our members to cultivate that Spirit of meekness and love which proceeds from the Heavenly Shepherd – and in which we shall be preserved in the unity of the Spirit and in the Bond of peace.

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This Meeting being introduced into much exercise under consideration of the Secession which has taken place in our religious Society, and of the embarrassment and difficulties that may fall upon some of our meetings in consequence thereof, we appoint, John Warren – Thomas Anthony Perez Peck – John D. Lang – Abraham Shearman Joseph Metcalf – Isaac Lawrence – Samuel Taylor Jr. Samuel Jones – John Meader – Edward Wing – 11.

Hannah Dennis – Elizabeth Meader – Elizabeth Wing – Anna Cates – Abigail Mc. Hanson – Alice Page – Hannah Morril – Chloe Duglass – Lydia Allen – Mary Wing and Susan Howland, 11 to visit subordinate meetings as occasion may require – & to assist them, under the direction of best

Wisdom, in maintaining the Discipline and goo-order of the Society, and to impart such encouragement and advice, in brotherly love as qualification for this benign service may be mercifully afforded — and to report to this meeting next year.—

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The following address setting forth the exercises and travail which this meeting has been introduced into, with the desire that our dear friends every where may be preserved on the sure foundation, the Rock of Ages, and bring forth fruits in their lives and conversations, to His gracious acceptance, is directed to be signed by the Clerk and forwarded to our several Meetings — to wit;

To the Quarterly and Preparative Meetings
of Ministers and Elders of New-England Yearly
Meeting.

Beloved Friends,

In the course of this meeting it has pleased the Lord to unite our hearts in a measure of living exercise before Him, and aspirations have been raised for his help in order that every thing relating to that portion of the body which composes our Select Meetings may be kept sweet and clean, and those gifts which He has been pleased to confer continue to be exercised in that humility, freshness and brightness which tend to edify the body in love, promote unity in the church and exalt his blessed name and cause in the earth. We have been affectionately entreated to watch over our own hearts and our own houses, seeking after a growth in grace, that so the weightiness of our spirits may be felt in our families and those circles in which we move. This has been felt among us as entirely essential to and inseparable from a growth in the ministry, and its continuance in that life and baptising efficacy which must ever accompany and distinguish the preaching which is not to be exercised in the time and will of men. Connected herewith the importance of holding to the Head, even to Christ, in frequent, inward recurrence to the glorious and fundamental truths of the Gospel, and the blessings of this gospel day have been set before us, as tending to keep up the blessed connection and to show forth the beautiful harmony in which all our distinguishing testimonies as a religious Society stand with the doctrines, precepts and example of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Under his heavenly anointing we have believed that we should be increasingly strengthened not only to pray, but also to preach with the spirit and with the understanding also, and thus preserved from runing into those wild and unsanctified declarations which have from time to time afflicted the Church under the guise of great spiritualmindedness and primitive zeal. Our beloved friends who may be frequently called from home on gospel errands and rightly engaged in declaring the riches of Christ were felt to be near to us in christian sympathy, accompanied by desires that whether silent suffering in their own meetings or lively attractions to other little gatherings might appear to be the service of their day, when free from more extended labors, they might, with equal cheerfulness accept the alotted dispensation; believing that herein they would be favored to attain; according to their measure, to the standing of "every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven," who "is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old".

Allusion was also made and deeply felt in reference to the affecting events of our present Yearly Meeting, during which six or seven individuals whom we had been formerly accustomed to esteem of us, and who attended with us at the first sittings of this meeting, appear to be separating themselves from us. We were led to believe that had the humility which is connected with a clear view of our fallen state by nature, and the redemption which is in Jesus Christ - the love which attend those who witness the forgiveness of sins through him and the watchfulness of such as walk in the Light as he is in the Light, been patiently abode in, our erring friends would never have been thus bewildered, or become instrumental in promoting the scourge of schism among us, under the apprehension of a State of things which we sincerely believe do not exist. We were, however warned against allowing our minds to be entangled by struggling against that spirit which is abroad out of the clear requirings of truth - only to use the weapons committed to our trust as the fresh call so to do was heard; and thus we should avoid questions which minister to strife rather than to godly edifying; and, after committing those who are out of the way to a most merciful God, be enabled to proceed forward honestly and industriously in the labor of our day, endeavouring to build the walls of Zion - that thus occupying with our respective gifts in meekness, love and much fear - preserved from seeking occasions of offence, rejoicing in every appearance of good, the body may be, under the divine blessing, favoured with health - the symptoms of present disease disappear - the physician of value have all the praise, and the presence of the God of peace be known amongst us to our present and eternal joy.

Signed by direction, and on behalf of New-England Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held by adjournments, the 14th 19th and 21st of the 6th mo. 1845.

Rowland Greene, Clerk -

The Committee for the oversight of meeting, repor that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing special to remark. —

Having been favoured through the several settings of this Meeting with the overshadd ings of divine goodness, in which we have bee enabled to accomplish the business that has come before us in much harmony and brotherl love, under a thankful sense thereof, we conclude, proposing to meet again next year at this place, if the Lord permit.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting b

Rowland Greene, Clerk

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island, for New England the 13th of 6mo 1846

Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings are presente The Representatives therein named are for

Rhode Island

Nicholas Congdon, Thomas Anthony, John Meader David Buff Joseph Metcalf Olney Thompson, Edmund Chace, Elizabeth Wing, Elizabeth Peckham, Joanna Peck, Lydia Thompso Mary Shove & Anna D. Wing —

Salem

Estes Newhall. Abijah Chace Moses Huntington Jr Newhall Ordway. Abijah Johnson Avis Keene, Mary Chace Alice Page, & Elizabeth Gove. —

Sandwich.

Lemuel Gifford. Isaac Lawrence, Samuel Slade Abraha Russell Susan Howland Lydia Hussey Mary Wing Barbara Gifford & Ruth Davis. —

## Falmouth

Thomas Jones Nathan Pope, David Allen, Lemuel Jones, John W. Minot Lydia Allen Maria B. Jone & Mary C. Varney.

## Smithfield

John Osborne Daniel Clapp, Joel Marsh Abiga Inman Phebe S. Marsh & Sarah Clapp.

## Vassalboro'

Edmund Cates Asa Jones, Stephen Jones Jr John Warren Margaret Ratcliff, Rachel Jones Deborah B. Warren & Martha J. Hodges.

## Dover.

John D. Lang, Benjamin Fry, Ann Elmira Lang, & Joanna M. Miller

## Fairfield

Allen Wing Joseph Tayler, David Douglass Moses Wadsworth, Olive Wing, Chloe Douglass Lydia Tayl & Tamar Gifford.

All present except two.

We have at this time the acceptable company of Bersheba G. Herendeen who presented a Certificate from Farmington M Meeting Endorsed by Farmington Quarterly Meeting expressive of the Unity of friends there with her Ministry & present engagements — Also of Gideon Herendeen husband of th foregoing friend, — Also the company of Zebulon Weaver from Brookfield Monthly Meeting — with minutes from their respective meetings —

We appoint our friends John Osborne David Douglass Richard Battey Joseph Metcalf Lydia Thompson. Olive Wing Mary Wing Anna Purinton & Miriam Newell to have the oversight of Meetings during the Sitting of the Yearly Meeting and to report at a future Sitting of this meeting —

After having gratefully experienced the renewed Sheddings abroad of the Fathers love, cementing our hearts together therein, under a humbling Sense thereof we adjourn to meet again at 3 oclock this afternoon. —

Afternoon Friends met pursuant to adjournm

The representatives having conferred together on the Subject of Clerks to Serve the meeting [illegible] Report that the present Clerk, who has very acceptably served the Meeting for many years, desiring now to be released from the Service, they are united in proposing John Osborne for Clerk and David Buffum for assistant Clerk, which meeting the approbation of this meeting they are appointed to those stations accordingly for the ensuing Year. —

The Queries and answers were read at this time and the State of Society considered - And the annexed Summary has been prepared as embracing the Substance of the answers —.

Summary

Ans. 1. Ministers & Elders are careful to attend their meetings for Divine Worship - And to bring their families with them and generally diligent to attend those for discipline, encouraging such of their families to this duty as are suitable. -

Ans. 2. Ministers in the exercise of their gifts appear to be careful to wait for Divine ability and are in good measure preserved from being burthensome. —

Ans. 3. Ministers & Elders are concerned to maintain clean and blameless lives among men, are in a good degree in Unity one with another and the meetings they belong to, - and harmony in their labours experienced in good measure. —

Ans. 4 They are generally concerned to rule their own houses well, and to bring up their families in plainness which truth requires — And endeavour to be good examples themselves. —

Ans. 5 They endeavour to promote peace in families and in the Church — to maintain the discipline — no Screening their own families therefrom — and to adminis justice. —

Adjourned to 8 oclock on fifth day Morning the 18

Fifth day morning the 18th again met according to adjournment —

The Representatives being called are all present except three. —

By the minute of the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting we are informed that Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting has united with Swanzey Mo. Mtg in the appointment of Oliver Earle & Elizabeth Shove, with Greenwich in that of Wil S. Perry and Benjamin Greene And with Providence in th appointment of Jonathan Congdon & William Jenkins (th latter since deceased) to the station of Elders — That Salem Qurly Mtg has united with Salem Mo. Mtg in the appoin-ment of Nathan Breed & Mary E. Breed to the Statio of Elders and with Seabrook Mo. Mtg in the appointm of William Rogers to the same station — that it has uni with Ware Mo. Mtg in approving the public appearance in the Ministry of Elizabeth Page and with Salem Mo. Mt in disapproving the public appearances in the Ministry of Nathan Page and in displacing Jonathan Nichols from the Stati of an Elder — that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting has unite with Sandwich Mo. Mtg in approving the public appearances in the ministry of Newell Hoxie with Dartmouth Mon Meeting in approving the public appearance of Phebe R Gifford And with New Bedford in approving the public appearances of Rhoda Howland Jr. And with Pembrook Mo. Mtg in the appointment of Mary Shepherd to the Station of an Elder Sandwich likewise informs that Hezekiah Swain, Prince Gardner, Peleg Mitchell, Mary Macy

Elizabeth Mitchell formerly members of the Select Meeting have been disowned from Society by Nantucket Monthly Meeting and also that Mary Davis formerly an approved minister & Seth Edger & Phebe Tripp formerly Elders have been disowned by Dartmout Mo. Meetg — That Smithfield Qulty Meetg has united wit Smithfield Mo Meetg in approving the public appearances in the ministry of Lydia R Kelly and with Uxbridge Mo. Meeting in the appointment of Polly Southwick to the Station of an Elder — that Vassalboro Qulty Meetg has united with Vassalboro Mo. Meetg in the appointment of Daniel Taber to the Station of an Elder and with Unity in the appointment of Margaret Ratcliff to the Same Station — that Dover Qulty Meetg has united with Dover Mo. Meetg in approving the public appearances in the Ministry of Joseph Tuttle and with the Same Meeting in the appointment of Ruth Sawyer to the Station of an Elder and with Berwick in the appointment of Joseph Bracket & Salome C. Bracket to the Same Station with Dove in the appointment of Tobias Meader & Sarah Leighton to the Station of Elders and in approving the public appearances in the Ministry of Hannah 2d Sawyer and also that they have United with Berwick Mo. Meetg in displacin Joshua Meader & Phebe Meader from the Station of Elders. —

The committee appointed last year to visit Subordinate meetings made the following Report

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders —

The committee appointed last year to visit Subordinate Meeting as occasion might require and way open for to assist and encourage friends in the Support of the discipline and good order of Society Report — That Several of their number have visited such meetings as have been brought into trials from the late difficulties in the Society, and have given such advice and rendered such assistance in the ability tha has been afforded as circumstances appeared to require whi was cordially received by friends in unity with the body.

And it is cause of thankfulness that but a Small numb of Ministers & Elders in this Yearly Meeting have gone off i the late Separation; While friends in those important Statio remain closely united in harmonious labour for the promotio of the precious cause of Truth — We may inform the Yearly Meeting that our Several Select Quarterly Meetings have all been held at the usual times & places And also the Preparative Meetings except that on Nantucke which in consequence of their very reduced condition as to members has not been kept up, we tenderly Sympathize with them in the discouragements and tryals to which they have been Subjected and we wou recommend them to the Sympathy of the Select Quarterly Meeting. —

And it is a comfort to the committee to believe that through Divine Mercy friends are favou ed to hold their Meetings according to their original institution in peace and love. —

Signed on behalf of the Comt.
Newport 6mo 17th 1846 — by John Warren
Elizabeth Meader

which is Satisfactory to the meeting —

The committee to have the oversight of meeting during the Sittings of the Yearly Meeting Report that they have attended to their appointment and have nothing unfavourable to remark —

Having been favoured in our several sittings with the extendings of Divine regard, and accomplished the business which has come before us in much harmony and love, our minds have been comforted under a thankful sense thereof, in which we conclude proposing to meet at this place next year if the Lord permit. —

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

John Osborne clerk

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